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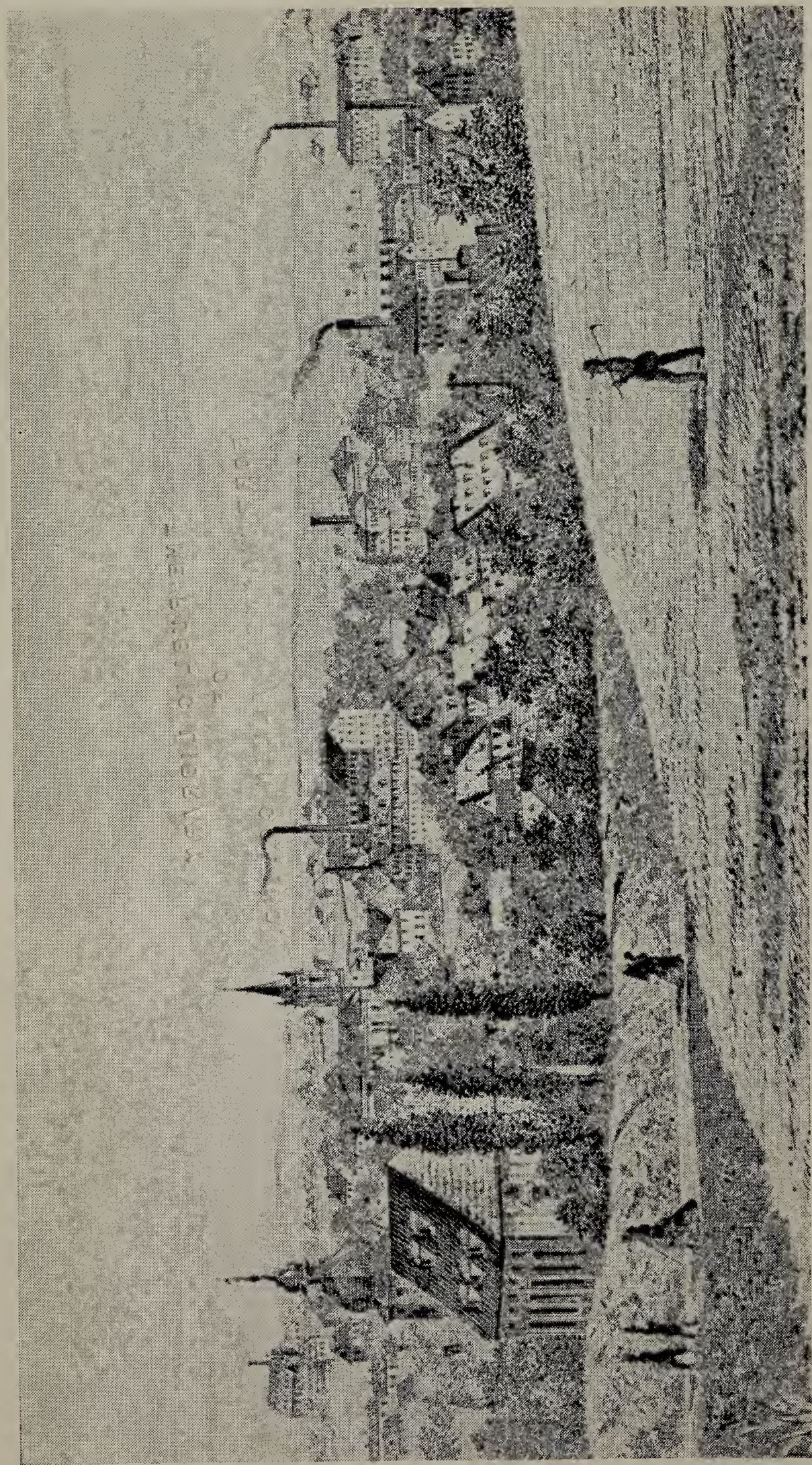
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History of the
Egelkraut-Remp-Wolfram
Uhl-Adler Families
1788-1943

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OLD ASCH

Town of Asch probably in the 1860's or 1870's. In foreground is the family church. The road leads to Neuhausen, where Great Grandmother Egelkraut was born.

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From Alberti's History of Asch

The recorded beginnings of Asch date back almost to the close of the 13th century. The early settlers had land apportioned to them, to each a strip that began at the brook and ran up the hill and into the forest as far as was needed for the family. These strips were later divided and new houses built as the families became larger and the children married. The woods that had been so dense gradually gave way to a village, fields and roads.

The Emperor Joseph II traveled to Bohemia by way of Asch and wrote in his diary, October 4, 1779, that Asch was a poor little village. Before the time of railroads many travelers stopped overnight at the hotels on their way to the Bohemian Baths and to rest their horses. The author Goethe and musician Schumann were among these visitors.

For years Asch was a place of refuge for many, who, because of their religious faith, found a secure haven there. The village grew slowly. Occasionally a new industry was started, such as a tannery, shoe or linen factory, or a mill. In 1872 modern methods and machinery began to be used, which changed the place gradually into a thriving modern city.

"A people, who take no pride in the noble achievements of remote ancestors, will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered by remote descendants."—LORD MACAULAY.

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PREFACE

Small beginnings sometimes lead to unexpected developments. When Albert C. Wolfram invited a number of relatives to meet at his home in Monterey, Indiana, on Sunday, September 23, 1917, he probably did not think that a family history would be an offshoot of that gathering; however, this small book can easily be traced to that family meeting, the first Wolfram-Egelkraut reunion. This gathering was continued annually in August.

The name Wolfram was used with Egelkraut because the idea originated in the Wolfram family; and also to identify it with people who lived in the community, since no one named Egelkraut was known in this part of Indiana. For several years the meetings were held at Monterey, then transferred to Potawatomi Park, South Bend, as being more nearly central. An offering was received annually, the balance above expenses accumulating in a fund with the making of a family history in view.

It was at the reunion in 1922 that formal action was taken toward a permanent record of the family, and a committee was appointed to carry out this action. The committee consisted of Albert C. Wolfram, Kate Hardesty, Edna Stahl, Allen A. Norris, Mary Merz and Charley Egelkraut. The task of writing the book fell to Dr. Norris, who cheerfully started upon his duties as author. But plans and objectives were not yet fully developed and other members of the committee were somewhat lax, probably because they did not know what to do. The work lagged and another committee was appointed some years later to assist him further. Even then, there was lacking the co-operation necessary for assembling all the desired information, though much of the genealogy was compiled by Dr. Norris with the assistance of Ida Klampe.

At the 1941 reunion, Allen Norris asked, because of ill health, to be relieved of the work. His request was granted, after which the group decided that the Stahl girls should take it up. It was suggested that "you sit on people's doorsteps until you get the information you want." After a number of drives and calls, numerous letters and cards and some research work, the missing data and stories for most of the families have been collected and some historical facts added. Members of the family now living have drawn from the storehouse of their memory incidents they learned from their parents, grandparents and friends, and have passed them on to the rest of us. Dates have been secured from family Bibles, other records and tombstones. Old letters, old papers, legal and otherwise, old account books, family albums, encyclopaedias, history books and libraries have been among the contributors to this book. Consequently, it is the result of the combined efforts of the entire group, as in all but a few cases, at least one member of a family co-operated in supplying information. We regret that in a few instances we have had no responses, and that the accounts for those families are, therefore, very brief or lacking altogether. We have striven for accuracy and are very sorry for any errors

that may have crept in. We express our deep appreciation for all assistance and contributions.

Special acknowledgment is due Allen Norris for the splendid work he did in collecting and compiling the names of the members of the family, for the articles he contributed and for his helpful suggestions. Much credit must be given to Mae Bohl and sons Ralph and Don for the fine way in which they prepared the pictures for the engravers, with some assistance from a commercial photographer. Some old tintypes, especially, were very difficult to reproduce, and the work and expense involved in making them and the family trees were a fine contribution.

It was hoped to show photographs of all of the second and third generation members of the family; however, it was impossible to secure pictures of all of them, and a few were too dim to reproduce. The first generation is necessarily omitted as, doubtless, Great-Grandfather and Great-Grandmother Egelkraut, in Asch, never had the pleasure of having their pictures taken!

Culver, Indiana
August, 1942

EDNA C. STAHL
OSIE M. STAHL

POSTSCRIPT

At the time of the 1942 Wolfram-Egelkraut family reunion, funds in the treasury were insufficient to meet expenses of publication, even when augmented by generous personal contributions, so this manuscript was laid away for a year. By the 1943 meeting, financial difficulties were being overcome, and the group asked that the history be brought up to date, as nearly as possible, and a printer be secured. Since then, wartime conditions with labor and material shortages have resulted in further delays. New material collected before Jan. 1, 1944, will be found in the addenda at the end of the book, and in the records of service in the present war. Blank pages have been inserted for future additions.

Thanks to Mildred Wolfram who assisted in the roundup for final information and to Clara Stahl who frequently came to our assistance. Through courtesy to her, Mr. F. J. Dinges, of the firm of Slade, Hipp and Meloy, of Chicago, has generously presented the materials for the binding. We all owe a debt to Rea Wolfram, who has given generously of his time and services in various ways; particularly by assisting in arrangements for printing and publishing the book.

Incidentally, no bills are being presented except those for engraving, printing and labor for binding. Various members of the family have contributed to cover the excess of these costs over anticipated proceeds from the sale of books.

We wish to thank you, the members of the family, for entrusting this interesting task to us. Though conscious that we are only amateurs, we are glad to have been instrumental in helping to preserve these family records.

December, 1943

E. C. S.
O. M. S.

CHAPTER I

TWO HOMELANDS

This book is the story of the descendants of John Christian Egelkraut and his wife, Gertraud, who lived in the village of Asch in Austria. The people from whom they sprang evidently had their homes in this and nearby villages for many, many years. However, they were Germans, and our grandparents spoke of coming from Germany. Even now one of the cousins wrote that his mother was "born in Germany," for that was the common expression. They spoke German, and were educated in that language. Asch was very near the border line of the German province of Saxony, and you will note that at least two of the men who became connected with the Egelkrauts by marriage were from Saxony.

That their descendants are one hundred per cent American is shown by the resolution unanimously adopted by the first reunion group, shortly after the United States entered the First World War: "Resolved, by the members of the Wolfram-Egelkraut families, whose ancestors came from Germany after the stirring times of 1849, that we pledge our loyalty to our president and government, thanking God that we do not live under the government whose policy of *Schrecklichkeit* has made it hated throughout the world."

Chiefly, the men had small tracts of land and were weavers or artisans of other crafts, sometimes employing a few others in their own small establishments. We are told that these latter were looked upon as rich men by their neighbors, because they employed other men, although we know that all of them were far from rich according to our standards. It is somewhat amusing to us that some few years ago, an old man who knew Grandfather Wolfram in Asch remembered him as a rich man because he hired others to work on his looms.

The records show a noticeable number of master weavers in the family, so a brief explanation may be of interest. A young man starting to learn the trade of weaver worked first as an apprentice, without pay. In the next stage he was a journeyman, traveling about from village to village, working wherever he could, adding to his experience and skill. Finally, he would take a rigid test and submit samples of his work. If he passed this thorough examination, he was given the coveted title of "Meister Weaver"—Master Weaver—and could in turn employ journeymen himself.

Speaking of weavers, and to bring in some local color illustrating a custom which, no doubt, applies to every individual of the family born in Asch, I wish to describe my mother's birth certificate. This is both a legal and church document, for then the church and government were united. It tells that she, Anna Catherine Wolfram, was baptized when seven days old, in the church. The father is "Simon Wolfram, master weaver here. The mother: Margaretha, daughter of Christian Egelkraut, master weaver, and his wife, Gertraud, born

Sommerer of Neuhausen." That her godmother was present, who was Anna Catherine Remp, daughter of George Remp, master weaver. Note that all of the men mentioned, her father, grandfather and uncle, were master weavers.

MY TAPESTRY

I am a weaver. I sit at my loom
Day in and day out:
Do you ask why? And what am I weaving?
Or do you know
That you are a weaver too—
That you and I both
Are weaving, always weaving,
Tapestries of life?
I cannot stop, nor can you.
Back and forth
Back and forth, the shuttle keeps moving,
Moving back and forth.
Sometimes the cloth is thin and cheap;
Sometimes it's strong.
Sometimes it's dull and gray;
Sometimes it's bright;
Sometimes the pattern is vague;
Sometimes brilliantly clear.
It depends on the threads, and on me—
How I use them. You see,
The threads come from everywhere—
School, friends, religion,
Home, books and playtime.
I weave them and fashion in time
My tapestry of life.

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN

The question is sometimes asked, "Why did our ancestors come to America?" There were several reasons and circumstances, which, combined, induced them to leave their homeland. Roughly speaking, they may be noted as a desire for more freedom along political, industrial, economic and religious lines. At a reunion, Uncle John Wolfram said his family left the old country so that they and their children might have greater personal and political freedom, and the broader opportunities that America offered. At another time he told of secret conferences which were sometimes held in which the oppressed people tried to make plans to better their conditions. One evening, no doubt during the time of the furor which spread over most of Europe following the French Revolution of 1848, when John was lying on the floor, supposedly asleep, several men came into the room and talked with his father. Their conversation was in such cautious whispers that the

boy on the floor could make out nothing about their discussion; but he sensed that it was revolutionary in character.

Uncle Christ Egelkraut's children report that their father complained of the many wars. Not only was there fighting for the empire itself, but there was frequent turmoil and disturbance caused by the tyranny of the kings and princes of the smaller divisions of the government or country. He was also opposed to the compulsory military training, all young men being obliged to spend several years in the army.

The peasants or farmers did not own their land unconditionally, but were required to give a share of crops and some free service each year to the chief land owner. If the man of the family was too busy with his trade, it fell to the women to perform this compulsory menial labor. Then, also, they were not always at liberty to choose the work they wanted to do. It was not until 1860 that the people of Austria had unrestricted freedom to practice any trade they chose, and later than that in Germany.

The common people were always poor; then when famine or crop failure came, such as a blasted potato crop, misery was felt by many people and times were hard indeed. The economic situation grew worse after the first Egelkraut family, the Adlers, had left Asch in 1852, until, Mary Merz says, "Wages dropped so low that no matter how hard a man worked, he could not make a decent living"; so her Grandmother Remp's family, the last to leave, emigrated also in 1861.

Religion was a controversial question even leading to persecution at times. Sometimes the people were given freedom of choice, and at other times not. When the Adlers left for America, the church and state were united. But by the time the Remps came, education and church matters were no longer controlled by the government, but by another church which had, in the meantime, come into power, indicating that drastic changes must have occurred during those few years.

For these various reasons, many people left their homeland for the promised land of opportunity, America. From 1850 to 1860 German people came at the rate of 90,000 per year. At that time German immigration was larger than that of any other stock. Looking for a betterment of their conditions, most of them migrated where land was best available and cheap, thus reaching what was then the Western Frontier—now our Middle West. Thus our ancestors had the honor of helping to contribute a larger share than any other people toward winning this great central territory for civilization and leaving their stamp upon it.

Our people found that pioneering in America was much different from village life in central Europe, and that it brought them many hardships. Finding that it also brought them the basic freedoms for which they came, they did not regret their choice, although there must have been some doubtful and lonely moments. Some of the personal incidents we have related in the stories of individuals later in the book could apply equally well to others of the relatives.

Though there was much hard work, they had some social activities. There were the popular spelling schools, singing schools, literaries, parties where the young folks played games and sang songs, apple parings, quiltings, carpet-rag sewings and visiting. Sometimes prayer meetings were held evenings in the homes, and church services in the school house on Sundays whenever possible, until church buildings could be provided. Transportation to these affairs was by walking, riding horse-back or going in a big wagon with horses or oxen as power. A bob-sled ride was a treat. As an indication of the type of songs they sang, here are the titles of several that my mother copied and kept: "A Warning Song" (sad), "Love Song," "The Dying Prisoner" (concerning the Civil War), and a temperance song, "Sparkling Bright."

When sickness came, a doctor was not always available, so they often had to be their own doctor. In some localities a traveling doctor passed through, and people bought prescriptions from him. Here is one that Uncle Chris Egelkraut bought for the grandmother staying in their home. It is marked "For the Old Lady." Price \$1.00. "For Blood, Lungs, Weakness and General System."

Take 4 ounces each of Bitter Sweet Bark of root, Milk Weed root, Horse Radish root, Yellow Dock root (Sourdock); 2 ounces each of Blue Flag root, Dandelion root, Prickley Ash Bark of root, Sassafras Bark of root and 1 ounce Mayapple root. All to be dried. Put all together into 6 quarts water. Simmer slowly in a tin vessel down to 3 pints. Press out, add 2 pounds sugar. Simmer again 10 or 15 minutes. When cold add 3 gills alcohol. Dose, 2 tablespoons 3 times a day one-half hour before each meal.

As for nurses—there were none then, but a truly friendly spirit was shown over and over when neighbors gladly helped in times of sickness or trouble taking turns "sitting up" with a patient during a long illness, and helping the family with the work.

Sometimes they earned a bit of extra money by digging, cleaning and drying roots, then selling them to the druggist or doctor. My mother knew the names and could identify many plants supposedly good for medicinal purposes.

It might be of interest to set these prices from a farmer's daybook of the 1870's against those of today—butter from 7 cents to 20 cents per pound and eggs 7 cents to 20 cents per dozen. In July of 1876 they received 4½ cents per quart for huckleberries and paid 11 cents per pound for sugar to sweeten their own. Crackers, rice and bologna cost 10 cents per pound. Coffee 25 cents to 28 cents. Molasses was 50 cents per gallon and coal oil 40 cents per gallon. Wheat sold at 75 cents to \$1.20 per bushel. One fall, chickens sold for 15 cents each—later 6 chickens brought 75 cents, average price 12½ cents each. Butchered beef and pork brought from 4 cents to 11 cents per pound in bulk; 24 pounds of ham netted \$1.20—rate of 5 cents per pound. Feb. 21, 1876, sold 2 fattening pigs for \$21.00 and Feb. 12, 1879, sold one fat hog for \$5.75. Wages were 50 cents per day for plowing, plant-

ing and husking corn, \$1.00 per day for making hay and hauling hay, \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day for harvesting, with a cradle, or stacking wheat.

Perhaps this brief sketch of the background and living conditions of our ancestors, together with the individual stories told later on, will help us to better appreciate their worth and the heritage they left for later generations. We draw the mantle of charity and forgetfulness over their mistakes as well as our own; for doubtless all have erred at times, as all humans do.

CHAPTER II

Story by Allen A. Norris

(The following is the story written by Allen A. Norris, who was originally designated as the author of this history.)

THE EGELKRAUT FAMILY

The story of the Egelkrauts, so far as I have been able to learn, is not a long one. Most of us have been content to be born, go to work early at some useful occupation, get more or less of an education, get married, have a family of children who repeat the same story with slight variation. We keep out of the poor house, and out of jail, enjoy life as much as the average, go to church without being fanatics over religion, vote a fairly straight ticket but as a rule stay out of politics. Most of us enjoy the respect of our neighbors. None of us stand out as spectacular in the vices of this or former generations. As to virtue, well, few families are consistently as hardworking, industrious, honest, neighborly, hospitable as the Egelkrauts. In fact, it is not unusual for these virtues to be carried so far as to result in hardship when the recipient has taken advantage of our generosity. We are neither millionaires nor paupers. Our forefathers so far as we know were German peasants of the better sort. Largely because of these traits of character our history is brief and even our family traditions are limited.

Christian Egelkraut—even the name suggests a family trait—for we are a religious family. Christian Egelkraut, born in 1788, was the first of the family whose name has come down to us. He was born in Asch, Austria. If he had parents, their names are lost. If he had brothers or sisters, we have no record. I know of no members of the family except those who came to America. Were there cousins? I do not know. Time, distance, change in language all contribute to shut out our knowledge of the earlier Egelkrauts.

So our story begins in 1788 when Christian Egelkraut was born in Asch, Austria. He learned the trade of weaver of silk and linen, and at one time, at least, employed two journeymen weavers. He married Gertraud Sommerer, from the town of Neuhausen. One incident has come down to us concerning her. During the retreat of the French from the disastrous Moscow Campaign, some stragglers from the French Army came to the house of Frau Egelkraut and asked for food. She filled the skillet with eggs, but they demanded more, which she refused, and one of the French soldiers struck her. One of her descendants to this day does not have as kindly a feeling for the French as he might otherwise have.

She was a good mother. Her first child, named Anna Margaretha, was born Oct. 9, 1812. The next was George, then Anna Margaretha, Eva Catherine, Mary Magdalena and Christian Erhart. She died in 1827, when Christian was but ten days old. Very little is known of

their manner of living. They had some land, and raised garden vegetables, and had one or two cows. Besides his farming and his weaving, Christian Egelkraut was a good brewer of beer. Once a year he was permitted by the government to brew a batch of beer, and it is remembered by the older ones now living that the daughters in America often spoke of the excellence of his beer. Albert Wolfram writes about it in this wise: "Mother and her sisters said he made such good beer. The neighbors would say— 'Kum, der Egelkraut shenked,'—that is, he is dishing out his beer and it was always the best." I wonder what the old gentleman would say if he could attend this reunion where I am sure the sentiment is almost unanimous for prohibition. But today in America is a different condition than it was over a hundred years ago in the little village of Asch. There! I refer to him as the old gentleman. He was born in 1788, died in 1836, only forty-eight years of age at his death, and his wife who preceded him by ten years probably died before she was thirty-five.

Andrew Merz has written me another incident of this Napoleon's campaign against Russia. He writes: "During Napoleon's retreat from Russia, lots of soldiers passed through Asch. One lot had the small pox. They took them to the church on the ground floor while great grandmother and other women went to the top of the galleries, tied ropes around pots of soup and other food and let them down to the floor below so that they could eat."

The house they lived in was probably built of stone on the side of a hill, for there was a stream of water flowing through the basement in which a few small fishes were kept. He kept his beer in this basement and it is believed that he died of pneumonia from exposure in the cold and damp of this basement. I do not think that we prohibitionists need apologize for the beer in Christian Egelkraut's home. I have no doubt that in a country where modern sanitation was unknown, the general use of beer and wine was much safer than the use of the oft-polluted water supplies. Besides, we are writing of a man who lived in central Europe more than a hundred years ago.

I had hoped that I might obtain enough information concerning this early generation so that we might picture them in our thoughts—to make them seem like real folks. I would like to know how they spent their time day after day. I would like to know something of their pleasures and enter somewhat into their sorrows. I would like to know how they reacted when things went well, and how they stood up when things were going badly. We know that the life of the peasants of central Europe was one of hardship. For hundreds of years there was almost continuous war. At the close of the 'Thirty Years' War the population of Germany had been reduced from sixteen million to about four million. War, or preparation for the next war, was constant. Epidemics of plague, small pox and other diseases often destroyed many people. Hunger, poverty and military service made the peasant's life a short and unhappy one. And yet they had their social relations and periods of relative prosperity.

An American living in Germany about 1840 wrote: "It is wonderfully striking how smoothly the Germans spend their lives; how little they concern themselves with the progress of the world; how innocently they amuse themselves and what trifles afford them pleasure. After church of a Sunday afternoon the cities seem to pour out their entire population. The public gardens are thronged, the country for miles around is alive with pedestrians out for a walk. Music is heard in every direction and it is a gala day for all classes. In the beer gardens, especially, the most characteristic traits of German life are to be seen. See the merry old burghers sitting at the tables. The cost of the refreshments for the entire family would not exceed fifty cents. Beer, nuts, brown or rye bread, cheese, this is all that it takes to make them happy. Or perhaps, the old ladies party. They have their work with them, and sit around the table sewing, patching, knitting, and, I suspect, a little gossiping."

It would be a rare treat for us to step back a hundred years and see the Christmas cheer of Christian Egelkraut with his family. A few cakes, and a Christmas tree, some nuts, music on the accordion or the violin, perhaps. Or possibly, a birthday party for mother or one of the daughters. My grandmother was an excellent dancer, an art that she did not learn in America. I wonder whether any of the relatives have the receipt for making the little Christmas cakes that were so evident at their parties?

Then there was the church. They were Lutherans, of course. There were the christenings and the baptisms—so maybe we can, with a little imagination, picture the life of that first Egelkraut family, and pass on to the next generation something of their virtues.

ALLEN A. NORRIS

CHAPTER III

A LETTER FROM ASCH

(Letter written by Otto Stahl to his mother, Anna (Wolfram) Stahl, while on a trip to Europe. By request at a reunion, it has been included here because of its interest to the entire Egelkraut Family.)

Asch, Bohemia, Checko Slovakia,
May 27, 1923.

My dear Mother:

You see I did get here after all. I was afraid all winter that something might happen to keep me from coming. But I'm afraid I won't be able to tell you very much. You see, all your family went to America and so it will be very difficult to find out very much about them.

And too, as I wrote the other day, Asch is a very flourishing manufacturing town, with many cotton and woolen mills and so much of the old part of town has been rebuilt. But the church is still here just as it was. I went there the first thing on my arrival yesterday afternoon and a wedding was just beginning. A man invited me in and took me up into the balcony where I could see the whole ceremony. I suppose Grandpa and Grandma Wolfram were married in this church.

The church is very large, I was much surprised at the size of it. A woman who seemed to be working there told me that the church seats 3000 people, but she said that not many people go to church anymore. The Baptismal font is very beautiful and I suppose you were baptized from it. The church has a very fine high altar reaching nearly to the top of the church. All beautifully carved, reminding me much of some of the Italian Catholic churches.

This morning (Sunday), I went to church wondering where your family sat. All the pews have doors and the pews are rented to families, with the name on them. The church is very high and has three balconies running all the way around it, which is the reason it can seat so many people. There seemed to be quite a good many people there today.

I asked about people named Wunderlich and that seems to be the most common name in Asch. Also there are many Adlers here and there are also Wolframs and Egelkrauts. I saw a bakery with the name Karl Wolfram over the door and I went in and bought a piece of cake but there were only a couple of young people there and many customers so I didn't ask them any questions. Anyway, you always said there were no relatives over here named Wolfram, and it seems to be rather a common name too.

Tomorrow morning I am going to the "Pfarr haus" to see if I can find out anything. Yesterday afternoon I wandered around in the cemeteries, thinking I might find some graves but I found that people who had died as long ago as your grandparents must have, were buried near the church and all that has been done away now and the old

tombstones are laid flat on top of the big stone wall which goes all around and the inscriptions are all so worn away by the weather that I couldn't make any of them out. They may have been buried 80 or 100 years ago, and after all the family moved away there was no one left to look after the graves.

This afternoon I took a long walk into the surrounding country to see what it was like, because I couldn't see any one in the "Pfarrhaus" and it was such a beautiful afternoon. I went up onto the Hainberg, from which I had a fine view over Asch and into Bayern and Saxony, the Fichtelgeberge and the Erzgebirge. Germany is only a half hour's walk from Asch, west. I walked all afternoon, went through two small towns which are probably about like Asch used to be when you lived here. I took some kodak pictures and will take some more here in Asch. I met one man after church who said he is seventy-six



SNAPSHOTS OF MODERN ASCH

1. Market place. 2. Otto Stahl at new entrance to church. 3. House like the ancestral home. 4. Old street scene.

years old and he remembers a family of Egelkrauts who went to America when he was a young man. That may have been one of your uncles. He said that the house where they lived was torn down and a school house now stands there, and I will take pictures of some of the old streets and old houses which show you how yours may have looked.

The country surrounding Asch is very beautiful. Fine pine woods all around. In fact, it is in what is called the "Bohmer Wald" which is much like the "Schwarzwald" in Germany. However, in one way it is different here and that is that here one sees farm houses, while there no farmers live on the farms, all live in villages. I saw several ox teams today, so I know they have oxen here too. Saw quite a good deal of wheat near here while coming on the train, and some again today. But it isn't at all a farming country right here.

As I said, Asch is progressive, has about 22,000 people living here and has most all the streets paved with brick, something very unusual for a town of this size in Europe. The people are very friendly. This morning after church I went with a man into a cafe and when he told them who I was and why I came to Asch they were very friendly and sang a lot of "Volksongs" for me and entertained me in fine style. It is spring here. I have been having spring ever since February. Before I left Vienna the lilacs had all faded and now here in Asch I have lilacs and apple blossoms again. There are many wild flowers like we have at home, and others which are strange to me but plenty of dandelions.

Well, I will not write any more now—will see tomorrow morning what I can find out. Had a letter from Allen Norris.

Monday afternoon.

There isn't much more to tell. At the church house where the records are kept I found a few dates which may be an addition to what you have, but not much more. Further back is difficult to trace because the records were not always so carefully kept. However, I gave the man some money to look up the Egelkrauts as far back as possible. He said he can find out considerably more only it will take much searching in old records and he couldn't do it today. So he will hunt up the Egelkraut "Stammbaum" and mail it to me in Culver, later. (It never arrived in Culver, however.)

Here is the record of the children born in the Egelkraut family:

Anna Margaretha, born Oct. 9, 1812 (Remp Vurpillat)

George, born Mar. 19, 1815

Anna Margaretha, born Aug. 14, 1817 (Wolfram)

Eva Catherine, born May 15, 1820 (Uhl)

Mary Magdalena, born Feb. 3, 1824 (Adler Kaley)

Erhart Christian, born Mar. 14, 1827

The marriage record of the Wolframs reads as follows:

Simon Wolfram, master weaver, twenty-five years old, son of the dead Frederick Wolfram, resident of Schonbach, and Catherine, born Haussmann, married on May 17th, 1840, in Asch to Anna Margaretha

Egelkraut, daughter of Christian Egelkraut and the dead Gertraud, born Sommerer, from Neuhausen.

But there is no record of any Wolframs at all—only the marriage record. They couldn't find any date of Grandfather's birth, only the record says he was twenty-five years old in 1840, but as his parents were already dead, and had lived in Schonbach, he probably was never registered here in Asch. I went over to Schonbach, about a mile away, and tried to find out there but they had no records either of any Wolframs in the Rathaus.

I went twice to the Rathaus here in Asch but no trace of any Wolframs anywhere. I couldn't find out about the Adler's either, as there are so many by that name and they had no record in the Rathaus of any Johann Adler born in 1823. However, I imagine the church records may have it. The man in the Rathaus was very friendly and tried to find something to help me. I asked about Rosina Wunderlich, sister of Mr. Merz, and the records show that she died February 2, 1819—but Wunderlich is the most common name in Asch and that may have been another one although it isn't likely there would have been two Rosina Merz's who married Wunderlich.

I got acquainted with a man here whose name is Egelkraut, who owns a book store, and he thinks that far back our families must have been related. He says the Egelkraut family has lived here in Asch for 400 years, and that they came originally from Ellsnitz, Saxony, which is near here. He says the name was originally Eichelkraut (Oak Leaves) but gradually got changed to Egelkraut. He remembers the house where you were born, Mother, and I found out sure in the Rathaus that you were born in No. 151 Toffer gasse, and the house was taken down to build a new school, not so many years ago. There were three houses all built alike and two were torn down. The third is still there and I took a kodak picture of that because he said the others were like it. I also took pictures of old streets and old houses and one on the road from Schonbach to Asch and a couple in Schonbach. When I get these pictures it will give you an idea of what Asch was like in the old days.

Today is a busy one on the streets. There is a market which is held only four times a year and everybody from far and near must have come.

Well, I must close and hurry to the post office before it closes. I will send pictures and postcards later. I am going back to Eger this evening. Will go right on to Dresden soon and get back to Stuttgart soon. I am so glad that I came here. I can tell you many things when I get back. In the meantime, you may use this for the reunion—if it will be of any use. I will write Allen Norris later.

Love to all, your son,

Otto

CHAPTER IV

Genealogy of the Family of JOHN CHRISTIAN EGELKRAUT AND WIFE

John Christian Egelkraut
Born in 1788, Asch, Austria
Died in 1836, Asch, Austria

Gertraud (Sommerer) Egelkraut
Born in 17—, Neuhausen, Austria
Daughter of Nicklaus Sommerer and Elizabeth, born of Rogler
of the Niederreuth daughter.
Died March 1827, Asch, Austria

Their Children

1. Anna Margaretha Remp Vurpillat
Born October 9, 1812, Asch, Austria
Died April 23, 1891, Logansport, Indiana
2. George
Born March 19, 1815, Asch, Austria
Died—time and place unknown
3. Anna Margaretha Wolfram
Born August 14, 1817, Asch, Austria
Died November 7, 1883, Monterey, Indiana
4. Eva Catherine Uhl
Born May 15, 1820, Asch, Austria
Died November 6, 1901, Monterey, Indiana
5. Mary Magdalena Adler Kaley
Born February 3, 1824, Asch, Austria
Died October 24, 1901, Twin Lakes, Indiana
6. Christian Erhart
Born March 14, 1827, Asch, Austria
Died March 20, 1908, Fremont, Indiana

An explanation of the numbering of the individuals in the genealogy is here given. John Christian Egelkraut's children are numbered from 1 to 6. Each generation adds a digit to the number. The numbers of individuals marrying into the family are in parenthesis. The first child born into a family adds a "1" to that family, the second child adds a "2," etc.

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN CHRISTIAN AND HIS WIFE,
GERTRAUD, EGELKRAUT1. ANNA MARGARETHA (EGELKRAUT)
REMP VURPILLAT

1. Anna Margaretha

(1) Husband, George Remp (1) Second husband, Mr. Vurpillat

11 Margaretha Remp

12 Christian Remp

13 Anna Catherine (Remp) Merz

(13) Husband, John Christian Merz

131 Andrew John Merz

132 Ernest Christian Merz

133 Anna Barbara Merz

134 Mary Magdalena Merz

135 John Leonard Merz

(135) Wife, Maude (Eads) Merz

1351 William Claude Merz

(1351) Wife, Ethel C. (Clancy) Merz

13511 Claudine Merz

1352 Harold Merz

(1352) Wife, Alleen Marie Helen (Schwan) Merz

136 Infant Son

14 Mary Magdalena (Remp) Kenline

(14) Husband, Jacob (Koehnlein) Kenline

141 John Kenline

(141) Wife, Elizabeth (Wince) Kenline

1411 Anna (Kenline) Young

(1411) Husband, Wheeler B. Young

14111 William Young

(14111) Wife, Bee (Campbell) Young

141111 June Young

14112 Josephine (Young) Hartman

(14112) Husband, Paul Hartman

141121 Kenneth Hartman

1412 Guy Kenline

1413 Pearl (Kenline) Faye

(1413) Husband, Frank E. Faye

14131 James Faye

1414 Charles Kenline

(1414) Wife, Ada (Butler) Kenline

1415 Frank Kenline

(1415) Wife, May (Klope) Kenline

1416 Leonard Kenline

(1416) Wife, Dora (Wineteer) Kenline

- 14161 Ruby Miriam Kenline
- 14162 Lester Irvin Kenline
- 14163 John William Kenline
- 14164 Carroll Virgil Kenline
- 14165 Robert Donald Kenline
- 14166 Lucille Rose Kenline
- 142 Ernest Kenline
- 143 Fred Martin Kenline
- (143) Wife, Jane (Chapman) Kenline
 - 1431 Infant child
- (143) Wife, Mae (Lloyd) Kenline
 - 1432 Lloyd McKinley Kenline
 - (1432) Wife, Helen (Greeley) Kenline
- 144 Lewis Andrew Kenline
- (144) Wife, Susie (Ream) Kenline
- 145 Anna Kenline

2. GEORGE EGELKRAUT

2. George Egelkraut

3. ANNA MARGARETHA (EGELKRAUT) WOLFRAM

3. Anna Margaretha (Egelkraut) Wolfram

(3) Husband, John Simon Wolfram

31 John M. Wolfram

(31) Wife, Elizabeth (Groshans) Wolfram

311 Catherine Margaret (Wolfram) Hardesty

(311) Husband, Hamlin Hardesty

3111 Raymond Earl Hardesty

(3111) Wife, Anna Christina (Luken) Hardesty

31111 James Russell Hardesty

31112 Donald Hardesty

3112 Edna Elizabeth (Hardesty) Shankland

(3112) Husband, Roy Shankland

31121 Margaret Elizabeth (Shankland) Ossler

(31121) Husband, Wilferd John Ossler

311211 Natheta Joan Ossler

311212 Gene Louis Ossler

311213 Barbara Joyce Ossler

31122 Naomi (Shankland) Merchant

(31122) Husband, Raymond Merchant

311221 Mary Kathryn Merchant

311222 James Robert Merchant

- 31123 Clark Shankland
- (31123) Wife, Mary Eleanor (Runnels) Shankland
- 311231 Mary Ann Shankland
- 31124 Leota (Shankland) Kelter
- (31124) Husband, Elmer Louis Kelter
- 311241 Leta Lynn Kelter
- 311242 Donn Elmer Kelter
- 31125 Neva Shankland
- 31126 Pauline Mable (Shankland) Blad
- (31126) Husband, John Albert Blad
- 311261 John Albert Blad, Jr.
- 311262 Robert James Blad
- 311263 Thomas Raymond Blad
- 31127 Edwinna (Shankland) Paxton
- (31127) Husband, Harold Robert Paxton
- 311271 Terry Lynn Paxton
- 31128 Mary Jean (Shankland) Barnett
- (31128) Husband, Floyd Barnett
- 31129 Max Clyde Shankland
- 3112-10 Anna Mae Shankland
- 3113 Kathryn Isabelle (Hardesty) Hill
- (3113) Husband, John M. Hill
- 31131 Elizabeth Hill
- 312 Edward Frederick Wolfram
- (312) Wife, Ida Mae (Patrick) Wolfram
- 3121 Mabel Ruth (Wolfram) Gindelberger
- (3121) Husband, Floyd Austin Gindelberger
- 31211 Jane Ellen Gindelberger
- 3122 Mildred Lucile Wolfram
- 3123 Earl Edward Wolfram
- 313 William Wolfram
- 314 Mina Louise (Wolfram) McCormick
- (314) Husband, Joseph William McCormick
- 3141 Ralph Clinton McCormick
- 3142 Leta Elizabeth McCormick
- 315 Anna Eliza (Wolfram) Jack
- (315) Husband, Porter Jack
- 3151 Elizabeth Ellen (Jack) Granada
- (3151) Husband, Homer Ulysses Granada
- 31511 Mildred Anna Granada
- 3152 Samuel Richard Jack
- (3152) Wife, Bernice (Lydecker) Jack
- 316 Charles Franklin Wolfram
- 317 John Philip Wolfram
- (317) Wife, Rae (Shoemaker) Wolfram

- 3171 Donald John Wolfram
 - (3171) Wife, Rilla Maude (Titus) Wolfram
 - 31711 Gretchen Wolfram
- 32 Margaretha Wolfram
- 33 George Wolfram
- 34 Mary Magdalena (Wolfram) Good
 - (34) Husband, William Jefferson Good
 - 341 Alvin Simon Good
 - (341) Wife, Alice May (Badgley) Good
 - 3411 Lala Fern (Good) Hoff
 - (3411) Husband, Samuel Chester Hoff
 - 34111 Myrna Joyce Hoff
 - 34112 Patricia Alice Hoff
 - 34113 Carolyn May Hoff
 - 34114 Lynelle Claire Hoff
 - 3412 Iva Orpha (Good) Bowie
 - (3412) Husband, Richard Debbs Bowie
 - 34121 Richard D. Bowie, Jr.
 - 3413 Elma Christena (Good) Rosenbaum
 - (3413) Husband, Michael Carl Rosenbaum
 - 34131 Michael Alvin Rosenbaum
 - (34131) Wife, Dorothy B. (Zabel) Rosenbaum
 - 34132 Marian Lorraine Rosenbaum
 - 3414 Vance Alvin Good
 - (3414) Wife, Minnie Bernice (Merchant) Good
 - 34141 Vance Alvin Good, Jr.
 - 34142 Margaret Ann Good
 - 3415 William Jefferson Good
 - (3415) Wife, Jean (Bowie) Good
 - 34151 William Jefferson Good, Jr.
 - 34152 Mary Ann Good
 - 34153 Joan Good
 - 3416 Robert LeMoyne Good
 - (3416) Wife, Marjorie (Wilhelm) Good
 - 34161 Nancy Lee Good
 - 342 Emma Catherine (Good) Casper
 - (342) Husband, William Henry Casper
 - 3421 Mary Catherine Casper
 - 3422 Ivan William Casper
 - 3423 Orvie Adam Casper
 - (3423) Wife, Fern Mae (Holbrook) Casper
 - 34231 Virginia Lucile (Casper) Hobkirk
 - (34231) Husband, Donald Everett Hobkirk
 - 342311 Donald Wayne Hobkirk
 - 34232 Jean Marie Casper

- 3424 Roy Sylvester Casper
- 3425 Edna Lucile (Casper) Tomlinson
- (3425) Husband, Harold Huff Tomlinson
- 34251 Catherine Jane Tomlinson
- 3426 Alvin Frederick Casper
- (3426) Wife, Deborah (Bowie) Casper
- 34261 Robert James Casper
- 34262 Gerald Allen Casper
- 34263 William Henry Casper
- 343 Anna Jane (Good) Kaley
- (343) Husband, John Wesley Kaley
- 3431 Lila Winona Kaley
- 3432 Beulah Leona (Kaley) Mauck
- (3432) Husband, Russell Mauck
- 3433 Elvin Kaley
- (3433) Wife, Maxine Donna (Fletcher) Kaley
- 34331 Sue Ann Kaley
- 34332 Karen Frances Kaley
- 3434 Lucile Ione (Kaley) Piper
- (3434) Husband, Clem Worth Piper
- 34341 Frances Mae Piper
- 344 Clara Louise (Good) Engle
- (344) Husband, Albert Engle
- 3441 Bessie Catherine Engle
- 3442 Clarence Allen Engle
- 3443 Otto William Engle
- (3443) Wife, Evelyn (Phillips) Engle
- 34431 Charles Levern Engle
- 34432 Betty Jean Engle
- 3444 Mary Magdalena (Engle) Cox
- (3444) Husband, Frank D. Cox
- 34441 Carrol Frank Cox
- 34442 Maryellen Clara Cox
- 3445 Ida Opal (Engle) Klampe
- (3445) Husband, John Franz Klampe
- 3446 Lelah Edna (Engle) Klampe
- (3446) Husband, George B. Klampe
- 34461 LaVonna Faith Klampe
- 34462 LaThora Hope Klampe
- 35 Anna Catherine (Wolfram) Stahl
- (35) Husband, Lewis Frederick Stahl
- 351 Ida Sophia Stahl
- 352 Albert Frederick Stahl
- (352) Wife, Amelia Joanna (Romig) Stahl
- 353 Christiana Margaret Stahl

- 354 Henry Simon Stahl
 - (354) Wife, Catherine (Stodden) Stahl
 - 3541 Louis Henry Stahl
 - 3542 Catherine Bessie (Stahl) Ricketts
 - (3542) Husband, John Round Ricketts
 - 3543 Helen Minnie (Stahl) Kirby
 - (3543) Husband, Carol Clarence Kirby
 - 3544 Ida May Stahl
- 355 Otto Jacob Stahl
- 356 Edna Catherine Stahl
- 357 Clara Regina Stahl
- 358 Osie Mary Stahl
- 359 Grace Martha Stahl
- 36 Albert C. Wolfram
 - (36) Wife, Ella M. (Wright) Wolfram
 - 361 Lila Mae (Wolfram) Bohl
 - (361) Husband, Charles Bohl
 - 3611 Ralph Orville Bohl
 - (3611) Wife, Ruth Beatrice (Hamm) Bohl
 - 3612 Donald Arthur Bohl
- 362 Rea William Wolfram
 - (362) Wife, Evelyn (Robinson) Wolfram
 - 3621 Albert William Wolfram
 - 3622 Paul Robinson Wolfram
- 363 Claude Milton Wolfram
 - (363) Wife, Ethel Ellen (Leiter) Wolfram
 - 3631 Mary Elizabeth (Wolfram) Clemens
 - (3631) Husband, Charles Wm. Clemens, Jr.
 - 3632 Thelma Jean Wolfram
- 364 Otto Darwin Wolfram
- 365 Adah Mary (Wolfram) Smith
 - (365) Husband, Cleon Hugh Smith
 - 3651 Robert Cleon Smith
- 366 Faye Oleva (Wolfram) Robertson
 - (366) Husband, Frederick Leon Robertson
 - 3661 Deane Albert Robertson
 - 3662 Ellamae Robertson
 - 3663 Lois Anne Robertson
- 37 Solomon Wolfram
 - (37) Wife, Hannah Jane (Asper) Wolfram
 - 371 George Cleveland Wolfram
 - (371) Wife, Rose Lillie (Vergin) Wolfram
 - 3711 Bernice Marie (Wolfram) Snyder
 - (3711) Husband, Alvin Vernon Snyder
 - (371) Wife, Ruth Elizabeth (Brooke) Wolfram

3712 David John Wolfram
 3713 Ruth Marguerite (Wolfram) Reinholt
 (3713) Husband, Thomas W. Reinholt

37131 Patricia Ruth Reinholt
 37132 Jacqueline Jean Reinholt
 37133 Kay Frances Reinholt

3714 Rosamond Lucille Wolfram
 3715 June Lauraine (Wolfram) Master
 (3715) Husband, Karl E. Master

37151 Karl Edward Master, Jr.
 37152 Judith Laurain Master

3716 Betty Brooke (Wolfram) Manzuk
 (3716) Husband, Michael Manzuk

3717 Charles Leon Wolfram
 3718 May Lorraine Wolfram
 3719 Carol Dean Wolfram

372 Lucy May (Wolfram) Johnson
 (372) Husband, Orven Johnson

4. EVA CATHERINE (EGELKRAUT) UHL

4. Eva Catherine.

(4) Husband, John Uhl (4) Second and third husbands, Henry Crites
 and Peter Trumbater.

41 Daughter

42 John Uhl

43 George Uhl

(43) Wife, Emily Clarissa (Hamlin) Uhl

431 Byron Hamlin Uhl

(431) Wife, Euphemia (Ellsman) Uhl

4311 Agnes Emily Uhl

4312 Helen Margaret Uhl

4313 Ruth Anita Uhl

4314 Hildegard Uhl

4315 Emily C. Uhl

(431) Second wife, Maude (Ferris) Uhl

432 Agnes Eva (Uhl) Cubbins

(432) Husband, William R. Cubbins

433 Stewart Courtland Uhl

(433) Wife, Leta Alice (Spencer) Uhl

4331 Marguerite Alice (Uhl) Phillips

(4331) Husband, Myron G. Phillips

43311 Stewart Hal Phillips

- 44 Herman Uhl
- (44) Wife, Catherine Magdalena (——) Welter Uhl
- 441 George Uhl
- (441) Wife, Gertrude (Wagner) Uhl
- 4411 Infant Child
- (441) Second wife, Catherine (Wagner) Uhl
- 4412 John Uhl
- 4413 Paul Uhl
- 4414 Naomi Uhl
- 4415 Johanna Uhl
- 4416 Georgiana Uhl
- 4417 Albert Uhl

5. MARY MAGDALENA (EGELKRAUT) ADLER KALEY

5. Mary Magdalena (Egelkraut) Adler Kaley

- (5) Husband, John Adler
- (5) Second Husband, Henry Kaley
- 51 Ernest Adler
- 52 Johanna Sophia Adler
- 53 Louisa Emma (Adler) Norris
- (53) Husband, Harvey Ransom Norris
- 531 Anna Lenora (Norris) Zechiel
- (531) Husband, Samuel Israel Zechiel
- 5311 Allen Norris Zechiel
- (5311) Wife, Marietta (Clearwaters) Zechiel
- 53111 Leon Norris Zechiel
- 53112 John Norman Zechiel
- 5312 Ransom William Zechiel
- 5313 Emerson Elmer Zechiel
- 532 Allen Anson Norris
- (532) Wife, Dora Blanche (Kelly) Norris
- 5321 Pauline Louise (Norris) Jessup
- (5321) Husband, Parke M. Jessup
- 53211 John Norris Jessup
- 53212 Joan Elizabeth Jessup
- 5322 Ernest Bernard Norris
- (5322) Wife, Mary Lois (Givens) Norris
- 53221 Sue Ann Norris
- 53222 Allen Mason Norris
- 533 William George Norris
- (533) Wife, June Smith; second wife, Bessie H. Stopher
- 5331 Eva (Norris) Tellkamp
- (5331) Husband, Bernard F. Tellkamp

- 53311 June Louise Tellkamp
- 53312 John William Tellkamp
- 5332 Evelyn Rowena (Norris) Lilly
- (5332) Husband, David Nelson Lilly
- 5333 Norman Welcome Norris
- (5333) Wife, Lois Marguerite (Ranstead) Norris
- 53331 Evelyn Joan Norris
- 53332 Mary Ann Norris
- 534 Norman Sylvester Norris
- (534) Wife, Matilda May (Hawkins) Norris
- 5341 Bonnie (Norris) Rector
- (5341) Husband, Paul Irvin Rector
- 53411 Tonya Jean Rector
- 53412 David William Rector
- 53413 Linda Lou Rector
- 54 William Henry Adler
- (54) Wife, Blanche B. (Pond) Adler
- 541 Ernest R. Adler
- 542 Essie M. (Adler) Cave
- (542) Husband, Burnell F. Cave
- 543 Earl C. Adler
- (543) Wife, Josie (Truesdell) Adler
- 5431 Bernard F. Adler
- 5432 Dorothy L. Adler
- 544 Alma L. (Adler) Hoppes
- (544) Husband, Vern W. Hoppes
- 545 Bert R. Adler
- (545) Wife, Ethel (Hoover) Adler
- 546 Frank H. Adler
- (546) Wife, Lodessa (Allen) Adler
- 5461 Melvin H. Adler
- 5462 Helen Irene Adler
- 547 Hazel P. Adler
- 548 Mina L. (Adler) Allen
- (548) Husband, Clifford E. Allen
- 5481 Irma Lee Allen
- 5482 Marvin Everett Allen

6. CHRISTIAN ERHART EGELKRAUT

6. Christian Erhart Egelkraut

- (6) Wife, Barbara (Smith) Egelkraut
- 61 Martin Gustav Egelkroud
- (61) Wife, Mary Catherine (Wiggins) Egelkroud

- 611 Paul Wiggins Egelkroud
 - (611) Wife, Mabel (Sheldon) Egelkroud
 - 6111 Paul Edgar Egelkroud
- 62 Mary Magdaline (Egelkraut) Hufnagle
 - (62) Husband, Aaron Richard Hufnagle
 - 621 Maude May (Hufnagle) Pifer
 - (621) Husband, Ivan Burl Pifer
 - 6211 Mary Jeannette (Pifer) Weaver
 - (6211) Husband, Paul M. Weaver
 - 622 Richard Claud Hufnagle
 - 623 Harold Ray Hufnagle
 - (623) Wife, Hazel Grace (Schaeffer) Hufnagle
 - 6231 Richard Daniel Hufnagle
 - (6231) Wife, Marjorie Eileen (Norris) Hufnagle
 - 6232 Rollo Robert Hufnagle
 - (6232) Wife, Elizabeth Barbara (Dospoy) Hufnagle
 - 6233 Blaine Laverne Hufnagle
 - (6233) Wife, Ethelyn Jean (Tooman) Hufnagle
 - 6234 Jean Elizabeth Hufnagle
 - 6235 Olive Marie Hufnagle
 - 624 Vera Barbara (Hufnagle) Brown
 - (624) Husband, George Carlton Brown
 - 6241 Carlton Robert Brown
 - 6242 Richard Herbert Brown
- 63 Christian Jonas Egelkraut
 - (63) Wife, Emma Winters (63) second wife, Martha C. Court
 - 631 Clela (Egelkraut) Throop
 - (631) Husband, Ray Allen Throop
- 64 Frederick William Egelkraut
- 65 Enos Joseph Egelkraut
- 66 Christian Frank Egelkraut
- 67 Lydia Ann (Egelkraut) Hudson
 - (67) Husband, Aaron Gilbert Hudson
 - 671 Harold Egelkraut Hudson
 - (671) Wife, Anable (Garn) Hudson
 - 6711 Curtis Gilbert Hudson
 - (6711) Wife, Mary (Beckhan) Hudson
 - 6712 Horace E. Hudson
 - 672 Ray Charles Hudson
 - (672) Wife, Doris (Cogswell) Hudson
 - 6721 Mary Rose Hudson
- 68 Samuel Jacob Egelkraut
- 69 Charley Elmer Egelkraut
 - (69) Wife, Frances Emeline (Hathaway) Egelkraut

- 691 Raymond Joseph Egelkraut
 - (691) Wife, Perla Mae (Hollingshead) Egelkraut
 - 6911 Robert C. Egelkraut
 - 6912 Geraldine Marie Egelkraut
- 692 Orville Christian Egelkraut
 - (692) Wife, Lucille Ruth (Wilkinson) Egelkraut
 - 6921 Frances Ruth Egelkraut
- 693 Geraldine Melissa (Egelkraut) Mater
 - (693) Husband, Russell Wieas Mater
 - 6931 Charles Edwin Mater
- 694 Elmer Hathaway Egelkraut
 - (694) Wife, Myretta M. (Boyles) Egelkraut
 - 6941 Elmer Egelkraut, Jr.
 - 6942 Richard Lee Egelkraut
- 6-10 Jasper Wallace Egelkraut

CHAPTER V

FAMILY DIVISIONS

This chapter has been divided into sections, which are numbered to correspond with the numbers given in the genealogy to the original six members of the family who came to America.

SECTION I

ANNA MARGARETHA (EGELKRAUT) REMP VURPILLAT

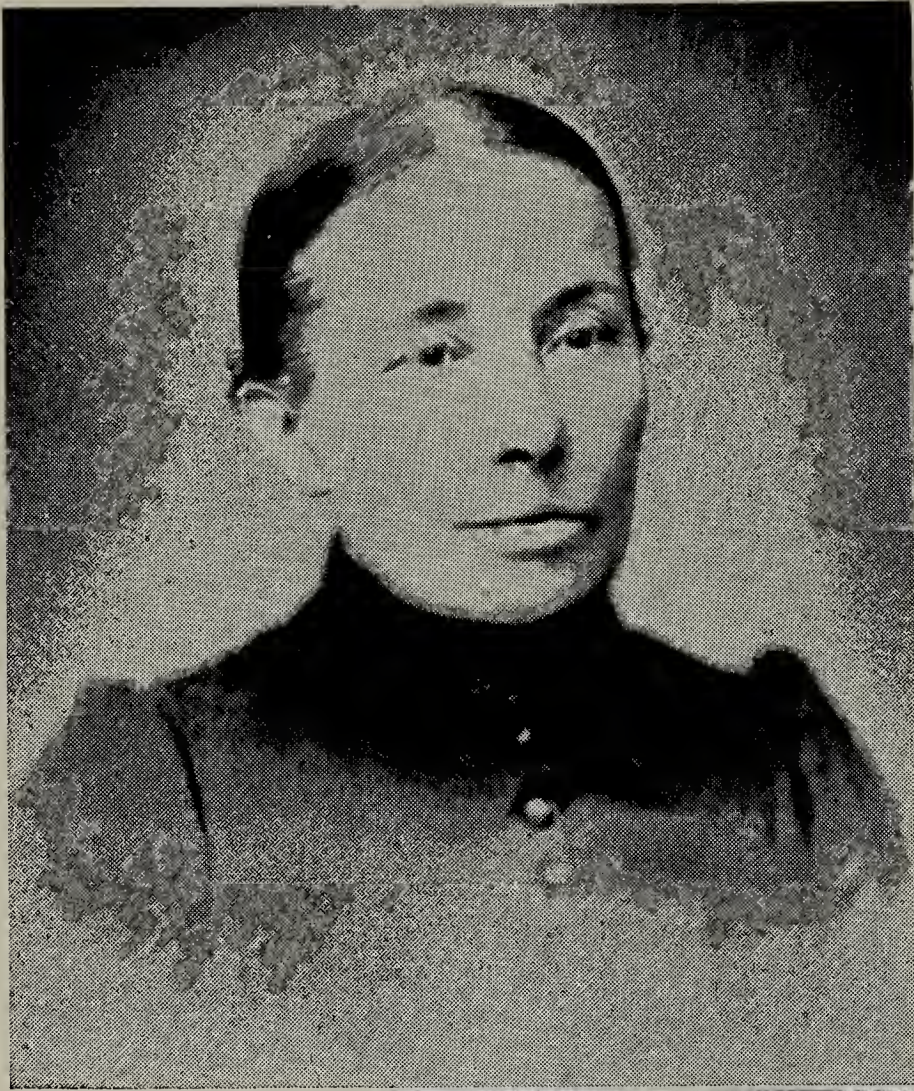
1. Anna Margaretha, oldest child of John Christian and Gertraud (Sommerer) Egelkraut, was born October 9, 1812, in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria.

She attended the public school and in due time was confirmed in the church—as were all of her brothers and sisters upon reaching the proper age. When only fourteen years of age her mother passed away, and it fell on her young shoulders to carry on the household duties and become a foster mother to the five younger children. Certainly not a light burden, but she played her part well.

In 1830 she was married to George Remp, and though desiring a home of her own, she gave up that wish and she and her husband remained with her father's family to help care for them. By and by, the land laws of Austria were changed, making it easier to transfer property. After Christian Egelkraut, the father, died, naturally his property went to his children. Later, Anna Margaretha bought out the other heirs, making it possible for them to come to America. She evidently had considerable business ability.

Her granddaughter, Mary Merz, has described the home for us somewhat as follows, desiring you to bear in mind that this was the Egelkraut ancestral home. The house being large with several stories, she rented out a part of it after her sister and family, the Wolframs, who lived in part of the house, and her brother Chris, had gone to America. The large front room, off of the vestibule, was made to do double duty; for not only were the weaving looms kept there, but it also served as kitchen, dining room and living room for her family. Sometimes the young men apprentices ate with the family while at other times they brought their own lunches, sometimes surreptitiously giving little Andy Merz, Anna Margaretha's grandson, whose family now lived with her, some of their sausage. On the attic shelves were placed the big loaves of brown bread. About two dozen loaves were made at once, and taken to the public oven to be baked. The house was heated from large stoves built into the walls, burning turf. A part of the basement was used as the stable where the cows were kept. Later, as times grew worse, these were replaced by goats.

In 1861 Anna Margaretha, then a widow, came with her family to America. Word had come back from America that living conditions there were so much better than in Asch. One tale was that even the



Anna C. (Remp) Merz



Mary M. (Remp)
Kenline

dogs would not eat bread that was not buttered! Also that people had meat to eat every day! The voyage across the Atlantic was from Bremen to New York. They arrived in August after forty-nine days on the not too clean sailing ship Dorothea. She and her daughter, Mary, went on to Logansport, Indiana, with some acquaintances, while the married daughter and her family, the Merzes, went to Manchester, New Hampshire, where they had friends. Later these also came to Logansport from New Hampshire.

Again, about 1864 Anna Margaretha took a helpmate, Mr. Vurpillat of Logansport. After his death a few years later, she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Merz, sometimes staying for a while with others of her relatives. All her life she was a member of the Lutheran church. Her earthly pilgrimage ended on April 23, 1891, with burial in the Logansport cemetery, having reached the age of 78 years, 6 months and 14 days. Her children who grew to maturity were Christian, Anna Catherine and Mary Magdalena.

GEORGE REMP

(1) George Remp, husband of Anna Margaretha (Egelkraut) Remp, was a native of Saxony. The dates of his birth and death are not known, but we do know that he was a master weaver in Asch. Sometimes he would make up a pack of woven goods, such as head shawls, large shawls, etc., and start off for other villages and towns to sell his wares at the market places and fairs. He passed away in his home in Asch. To this couple four children were born—Margaretha, Christian, Anna Catherine and Mary.

MR. VURPILLAT

(1) Mr. Vurpillat was the second husband of Anna Margaretha (Egelkraut) Remp Vurpillat. He was a French Canadian having come to Logansport. His occupation was that of bridge carpenter and he worked for a time with a Civil War bridge construction company. His death occurred a few years after the close of the war.

MARGARETHA REMP

11. Margaretha Remp, called Retha, was the oldest child of George and Anna Margaretha Remp. She was born in Asch, Austria, and died there at the age of fourteen years—another sorrow for her already over-burdened mother.

A word of explanation as to the pronunciation of this family name may be added. The letters "th" were sounded just like "t" alone and German "e" is like our "a," so the names were pronounced as though spelled Margarāta and Rāta. In America the name became "Margaret."

CHRISTIAN REMP

12. Christian Remp, only son of George and Anna Margaretha Remp, was born in Asch, Austria. His occupation there is unknown. Upon coming to America in 1861, he went to Manchester, New

Hampshire, where he secured work in a factory. Later he went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he worked in the smelters. After a few years this so impaired his health, that he joined his mother in Logansport. Christian was never married. His last years were spent at the Infirmary where he helped with the garden and other light work. He passed away on January 17, 1894, with interment in the Infirmary cemetery.

ANNA CATHERINE (REMP) MERZ

13. Anna Catherine (Remp) Merz, third child of George and Anna Margaretha Remp, was born in Asch, Austria, on March 14, 1836. At the age of thirteen years, she had the honor of "standing up" with her baby cousin, Anna Catherine Wolfram, as godmother at her baptismal ceremony.

She was married to John Merz in 1859, after which they resided with her mother in the ancestral Egelkraut home. They came to America with a group of other people from Asch. A Mr. Geyer had come to this country, then returned to Asch to get his bride, and thus he became the leader for a number of people who emigrated that year—1861. Part of this company, including the Merzes, went to Manchester, New Hampshire, where they had friends and there were factories offering employment. But later, they went to Logansport, where her mother and sister Mary had gone with the Geyers. Here they found a permanent home, and here Anna Catherine's life ended on April 19, 1909.

This family found their own church, the Lutheran, in Logansport, and had their children go to the parish school for their education. The youngest child was only ten years old when their father passed away, but the mother kept the family together, bringing the children up to be useful and industrious citizens. She was of a quiet unassuming nature but had many friends.

JOHN CHRISTIAN MERZ

(13) John Christian Merz, husband of Anna Catherine (Remp) Merz, was born July 26, 1826, in Asch, Austria. His occupation was that of weaver. A few years after their marriage he emigrated to America with his wife and baby son, Andrew. For a while they lived in Manchester, New Hampshire, where John found employment in a stocking factory. Later they moved to Logansport, John buying a loom and weaving carpets. He passed away on April 10, 1880.

ANDREW JOHN MERZ

131. Andrew John Merz, oldest child of John and Anna Catherine Merz, was born in Asch, Austria, on February 7, 1860. When about a year and a half old, the family came to America. After his parents settled in Logansport, Andy, as he has always been called, attended the parochial school of the Lutheran church and supplemented his education by much reading and careful observation. Following his father's death, he took over the loom and wove carpets. When an opening came in a department store for a night janitor, Andy secured the place, which he successfully filled for about twenty-five years. He is still able to do various odd jobs about the home and neighborhood.

ERNEST CHRISTIAN MERZ

132. Ernest Christian Merz, second son of John and Anna Catherine Merz, was born in Manchester, New Hampshire, on May 18,

1863. When quite young his parents moved to Logansport, Indiana. Here he attended the parochial school. Ernest learned to be a tailor in Logansport and later moved to California in the vicinity of Bakersfield, working at his chosen profession. He remained there eight years and returned to Logansport in 1891 where he lived until his death on February 24, 1894.

ANNA BARBARA MERZ

133. Anna Barbara Merz, first daughter of John and Anna Catherine Merz, was born in Logansport, Indiana, on March 27, 1865. This has always been her home and she has been a home girl, being the housekeeper for many years. She received her education in their church school.

This home was one of the victims of the great flood of March 1913. The water rose in their living room almost as high as they were. Taking refuge upstairs, they were later rescued by men in boats from the Culver Military Academy through a second story window. Although Anna is in rather poor health, she is devoted to her church and attends regularly.

MARY MAGDALENA MERZ

134. Mary Magdalena Merz, daughter of John and Anna Catherine Merz, was born in Logansport on October 24, 1867. After attending the parochial school she took an apprenticeship with a tailoress. Having become proficient in this work, she was employed by a tailor to make men's vests, which occupation she followed for a number of years, doing the work in her own home. Later, she went into the alteration department of the Wiler and Wise Store—one of the largest department stores in Logansport. Here she continued for nineteen years, until the store closed on account of the depression. Since then she alters ladies' garments in her own home. She and Anna are unmarried. From this family a number of interesting items have been gleaned for this history.

JOHN LEONARD MERZ

135. John Leonard Merz, son of John and Anna Catherine Merz, was born in Logansport, Indiana, on May 13, 1870. After his school days were over, he learned the trade of cigar maker, which he followed for many years. He was married to Maude Eads, February 1, 1893, in Logansport. Two sons were born to this union, Claude and Harold. In 1911 they moved to Sacramento, California. Upon returning from the west, he worked at the carpenter trade and did some restaurant work. He is now residing with his brother and sisters in Logansport.

MAUDE (EADS) MERZ

(135) Maude (Eads) Merz, wife of John Merz, was born in Logansport, Indiana. She and her children remained in the west when John returned to Logansport, and has since remarried.

WILLIAM CLAUDE MERZ

1351. William Claude Merz, son of John and Maude Merz, was born in Logansport, Indiana, on August 28, 1894. He attended the public schools. After the family moved to California, he secured work in the Postal Department in Sacramento, where he is now one of Uncle Sam's mail carriers. Ethel Clancy became his wife and they have one child, Claudine.

ETHEL C. (CLANCY) MERZ

(1351) Ethel C. (Clancy) Merz is the wife of William Claude Merz, living in Sacramento, California.

CLAUDINE MERZ

13511. Claudine Merz, daughter of William Claude and Ethel Merz, was born in Sacramento, California, on January 2, 1920. After graduating from high school she took a course in designing women's apparel and has since used her talents to design and make exclusive garments.

HAROLD MERZ

1352. Harold Merz, second son of John and Maude Merz, was born in Logansport, Indiana, February 20, 1897. When fourteen years of age the family moved to Sacramento, California, and he has resided there since that time. His education consisted of the public school work. He was married November 2, 1921. Like his brother, he is a city mail carrier.

ALLEEN MARIE HELEN (SCHWAN) MERZ

(1352) Alleen Marie Helen (Schwan) Merz is the wife of Harold Merz. They were married in Sacramento, California.

STILLBORN SON

136. An infant, son of John C. and Anna Catherine Merz, was born October 31, 1874, in Logansport, Indiana. He died at birth.

MARY MAGDALENA (REMP) KENLINE

14. Mary Magdalena (Remp) Kenline was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, December 24, 1839, to George and Anna Margaretha Remp, their youngest child. No doubt she had the usual education given to the children of her time, and participated in the social and religious activities about her. When twenty-one years of age, she came with her mother's family to America, she and her mother going directly to Logansport, Indiana, with Mr. and Mrs. Geyer.

In 1862 she was married to Jacob Kenline in Logansport. They lived on a farm west of that city, later moving near Ora. Then they bought a piece of uncultivated land between Aldine and Bass Lake, which, through hard work, the family built up from the stage of woods, grass and huckleberries into a good farm. There was much wild hay in the vicinity, which they made and shipped, to augment the income from their farm. As old age crept on, they sold the farm, bought property in Knox, and retired from active life. They were the parents of five children, four sons and one daughter.

The husband passing away first, and the boys having gone into homes of their own, Mary was left to live alone. One day her neighbors realized that they had not seen her for a few days. Upon investigation, it was found that she had died, evidently in her sleep, probably a couple of days before she was found, about June 9, 1911. She and her husband belonged to the German Lutheran Church, and are buried in the Round Lake cemetery, in Starke County, Indiana.

JACOB KOEHNLEIN

(14) Jacob Koehnlein, husband of Mary M. Koehnlein, was born in Wurtenburg, Germany, July 1, 1819, and emigrated to America in 1858. Here his occupation was farming; and by his energy and perseverance he was one of the men who helped build up Starke County. The date of his death, which occurred in Knox, is not available.

It is interesting to note how the spelling of this name has changed from the original German "Koehnlein." Their sons did not like the long German spelling of it, so Fred went to court and had it legally changed to the present form, Kenline.

JOHN KENLINE

141. John Kenline, oldest child of Jacob and Mary Kenline, was born November 3, 1865, Starke County, Indiana. As a boy he helped work on his father's farm. He married Elizabeth Wince and they lived for a while at the south end of Bass Lake, where John ran a livery stable. Six children were born to them, but were left motherless, when Elizabeth died in 1900. In March of 1906, John went to California, where he farmed a citrus ranch near Santa Ana. He also did carpenter work. Here he was married to Jennie McGimpsey, but later was divorced. His life came to a close on November 30, 1941, at the home of his son Guy, at Elfrida, Arizona. He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge.

ELIZABETH (WINCE) KENLINE

(141) Elizabeth (Wince) Kenline, wife of John Kenline, was born September 14, 1874. She was not permitted to rear her six children, as she was called away in death when her youngest child, Leonard, was only fourteen months old. She died at Bass Lake, Indiana, in 1900. No other facts concerning her have been reported.

ANNA (KENLINE) YOUNG

1411. Anna (Kenline) Young, oldest child of John and Elizabeth Kenline, was born September 14, 1890. She was married to Wheeler B. Young, and they live at present near Artesia, California.

WHEELER B. YOUNG

(1411) Wheeler B. Young is the husband of Anna Young. They have two children.

WILLIAM YOUNG

14111. William Young is the son of Anna and Wheeler Young.

BEE (CAMPBELL) YOUNG

(14111) Bee (Campbell) Young is the wife of William Young. They have one child, June.

JUNE YOUNG

141111. June Young is the daughter of William and Bee Young.

JOSEPHINE (YOUNG) HARTMAN

14112. Josephine (Young) Hartman is the second child of Anna and Wheeler Young.

PAUL HARTMAN

(14112) Paul Hartman is the husband of Josephine Hartman. One child has come into this home.

KENNETH HARTMAN

141121. Kenneth Hartman is the son of Josephine and Paul Hartman.

GUY KENLINE

1412. Guy Kenline, son of John and Elizabeth Kenline, was born May 28, 1892, at Lake Cicott. Being the oldest boy, he no doubt did his share of the tasks about the home. He worked on farms, and also learned the carpenter trade. For his war record see Chapter VI. At present he lives at Elfrida, Arizona.

PEARL (KENLINE) FAYE

1413. Pearl (Kenline) Faye was the third child of John and Elizabeth Kenline. For a while after her mother's death, she made her home with the Atmer family at Bass Lake and Chicago, later going to

California, where she now lives at Huntington Beach. She married Frank E. Faye, and one child was born to them.

FRANK E. FAYE

(1413) Frank E. Faye is the husband of Pearl Faye.

JAMES FAYE

14131. James Faye is the son of Pearl and Frank Faye.

CHARLES KENLINE

1414. Charles Kenline, son of John and Elizabeth Kenline, was born June 8, 1896. After going to California, when he became old enough he worked in the oil fields for many years, and now works in a machine shop making oil well supplies. See Chapter VI for his war record. He married Ada Butler.

ADA (BUTLER) KENLINE

(1414) Ada (Butler) Kenline is the wife of Charles Kenline.

FRANK KENLINE

1415. Frank Kenline is the son of John and Elizabeth Kenline, and May Klope became his wife. They live in California, and have no children.

MAY (KLOPE) KENLINE

(1415) May (Klope) Kenline is the wife of Frank Kenline.

WILLIAM LEONARD KENLINE

1416. William Leonard Kenline, youngest child of John and Elizabeth Kenline, was born August 17, 1899. When only fourteen months old, his mother died, causing Leonard to have a checkered childhood. At the age of two years, he was placed in an orphans' home. He was taken out by two different families—the second one, Mr. and Mrs. Kidd, keeping him until he was grown. Then he went to California meeting his father, brothers and sisters, whom he had not known before. Living with his father and stepmother, he worked with his brother Frank in the oil fields at Richfield, California. Because of illness in the home, a nurse was called in. A romance quickly sprang up between her and Leonard, culminating in their marriage in Santa Ana, September 5, 1922. The nurse was Dora Wineteer, and this marriage was blessed with six children. Leonard greatly enjoys a home and family of his own. He has been a farmer and lather by trade, living at Salem, Oregon, at the present time.

DORA AMY (WINETEER) KENLINE

(1416) Dora Amy (Wineteer) Kenline, wife of William Leonard Kenline, was born June 9, 1901, at Leon, Kansas, the daughter of Nephi and Minnie Wineteer. Completing her school work, she was

graduated from a nurses' training school, and became a registered nurse in California and recently in Oregon. As the government has taken most of the young nurses, Dora has again taken up the work, being at present in the Salem General Hospital. The family belongs to the Seventh Adventist church.

RUBY MIRIAM KENLINE

14161. Ruby Miriam Kenline, oldest child of Leonard and Dora Kenline, was born November 13, 1923, at National City, California. She is a senior in high school in Salem, Oregon.

LESTER IRVIN KENLINE

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14162. Lester Irvin Kenline was born to Leonard and Dora Kenline at National City, California, on April 29, 1925, and is now a junior in high school.

JOHN WILLIAM KENLINE

14163. John William Kenline, son of Leonard and Dora Kenline, was born at Cupertino, California, May 19, 1926.

CARROLL VIRGIL KENLINE

14164. Carroll Virgil Kenline, son of Leonard and Dora Kenline, was born October 27, 1928, at Los Molinos, California.

ROBERT DONALD KENLINE

14165. Robert Donald Kenline was born May 10, 1930, in San Jose, California, the son of Leonard and Dora Kenline.

LUCILLE ROSE KENLINE

14166. Lucille Rose Kenline, youngest child of Leonard and Dora Kenline, was born September 26, 1931, at San Jose, California.

ERNEST KENLINE

142. Ernest Kenline, son of Jacob and Mary Kenline, was born in Starke County, Indiana, near Bass Lake. He died at the age of twenty of diphtheria, which he contracted while working away from home. His grief stricken family was not permitted even to see him.

FRED MARTIN KENLINE

143. Fred Martin Kenline, son of Jacob and Mary Kenline, was born September 8, 1872, in Starke County, Indiana. He helped on his father's farm, then worked as an apprentice printer in Knox, Indiana. Fred was married to Jane Chapman, April 1902 at Knox. Some time after her untimely death, he went west and was in San Francisco at the time of the earthquake, in 1906, sending a letter about the terrible catastrophe back home, which was printed in the Knox paper.

Fred was again married on August 12, 1907, in Los Angeles, California, to Mae Lloyd. For about ten years he worked as a brakeman on the Southern Pacific Railroad in California, and later as a carpenter. On October 26, 1939, he passed away in Costa Mesa, California, the victim of a heart attack.

JANE (CHAPMAN) KENLINE

(143) Jane (Chapman) Kenline, first wife of Fred Kenline and daughter of Hamer and Rachel Chapman was born in Starke County, Indiana, June 16, 1878. She and their child both died in childbirth April 5, 1903, in Knox.

INFANT CHILD

1431. Infant child of Fred and Jane Kenline who died at birth, April 5, 1903.

MAE (LLOYD) KENLINE

(143) Mae (Lloyd) Kenline, wife of Fred Kenline, was the daughter of John Lloyd, born in Ireland, and his wife, Catherine, born in Canada. Mae's birth occurred October 19, 1873, in Logansport, Indiana. Fred and Mae had one son. Heart trouble caused her death in August of 1940 in Costa Mesa, California.

LLOYD McKINLEY KENLINE

1432. Lloyd McKinley Kenline, only child of Fred and Mae Kenline, was born October 27, 1908, in Los Angeles, California. He graduated from the Pasadena High School in 1927, being a member of that year's track team, which took Coast League honors. On May 29, 1935, he was united in marriage with Helen Greeley, at Costa Mesa, where they now reside. Lloyd's occupation is that of bookkeeper.

HELEN (GREELEY) KENLINE

(1432) Helen (Greeley) Kenline, wife of Lloyd Kenline, was born December 21, 1912, in Los Angeles, California.

LEWIS ANDREW KENLINE

144. Lewis Andrew Kenline, son of Mary and Jacob Kenline, was born near Aldine, Starke County, Indiana, December 14, 1876. "Lew" learned to do farm work as a boy, and has followed that occupation practically all his life. He was married to Susie Ream, December 5, 1899, at Knox, Indiana. In 1910 they moved to California, living near Los Angeles and several other places in that part of the state. Their church is the Full Gospel, sometimes called Pentecost Church, in which they are conscientious workers.

SUSIE (REAM) KENLINE

(144) Susie (Ream) Kenline, wife of Lewis Kenline, was born near Portland, Indiana, August 22, 1876. She and "Lew" are now living on a ranch near Artesia, California.

ANNA KENLINE

145. Anna Kenline, only daughter of Mary and Jacob Kenline, was a little flower that soon withered, for when about a year old, she was taken by death from the home.

SECTION II

GEORGE EGELKRAUT

2. George Egelkraut, son of John Christian and Gertraud Egelkraut, was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on March 19, 1815. Nothing in particular is known of his life there, nor when he came to America. Here he seems to have made his home chiefly with his sisters, working at anything he could find to do. He was a rather large, broad-shouldered man, quiet and reserved, and not much of a mixer.

Hearing stories of the wild rush to South Dakota, following the discovery of gold in the Black Hills, in 1876, he became so enticed by the lure of the precious metal, that he decided to go West and get rich. Accordingly, he started out with his pack, his gun, money in his belt and a map, leaving his big chest, locked, with his sister Margaret Wolfram. It was thought that he possessed quite a sum of money, five to eight hundred dollars, perhaps. So there was quite a bit of speculation as to what the chest contained. He stopped at Logansport to see his sister, Mrs. Vurpillat. Mary Merz said she remembered seeing his long gun standing in the corner of the room and hearing him talk about the money he had hidden in his belt, and frequently glancing toward it.

His route was carefully planned—to go to Terre Haute, Indiana, then by boat on the Wabash, Ohio, Mississippi and Missouri Rivers out to South Dakota. As he said goodbye to the folks at Logansport, it was indeed goodbye, for Uncle George was never seen or heard of again. It was conjectured that he may have been killed for his money. Or did he, perchance, reach the gold field, amass a fortune, and for some reason fail to get in touch with his family? The reader may let his imagination play.

The chest at the Wolframs? When it was finally broken open after his sister had anxiously waited for years to hear from him, there was nothing in it but a few old clothes and some trinkets of no value.

SECTION III

ANNA MARGARETHA (EGELKRAUT) WOLFRAM

(Written by her granddaughter, Edna Stahl)

3. Anna Margaretha (Egelkraut) Wolfram, third child of John Christian and Gertraud (Sommerer) Egelkraut, was born in the town of Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on August 14, 1817. I have her Godmother Letter, or "Patenbrief," which tells that she was baptized on August 17, 1817. This paper has poems and handcolored pictures on it, and is so folded that it would hold the money that the child's godmother was supposed to give her—unless she chose to give a different gift. (See picture.) But there was no gift for this babe, as she was named after her oldest sister, also Anna Margaretha. That year, especially, times were so bad that the parents did not wish to obligate any friend for a gift, so they took the older sister for godmother. This child, whom they called Margaretha, grew, sharing in the affairs of the family and joined in the play and social activities with other young people.

On one of the festival days, when people were out having a good time, a certain young man, named Simon Wolfram, noticed Margaretha in a group of young people. He was attracted to her and afterwards kept thinking of her, wishing to know her better. But he was bashful and modest, believing himself unworthy of her, who he



GODMOTHER LETTERS

1. Anna M. Egelkraut

2. Anna C. Wolfram

Nr. *1514*

Oesterreichisch-



kaiserl. königl.

**REISEPASS.**Geburtsjahr *1814*

für

Simon

Der selbe reiset

Statur *mittel**Wolfraum*

von

Gesicht *fair*

Charakter

Wohnhaft

über

Haare *brun*Augen *blau*Mund *mittel*

gebürtig

*Wohnhaft*Nase *gerade*

zuständig

wohnhaft

Besondere Zeichen: *keine*

Geschäfte

Wagner & Co.

nach

Hamburg

Dessen eigenhändige Unterschrift:

Simon Wolfraum

Dieser Pass ist gültig

Ein Jahr

**Im Namen Seiner Oesterreichisch-kaiserlichen zu
Hungarn und Böhmen königlichen und apostolischen
Majestät etc. etc.**

werden alle Civil- und Militär-Behörden geziemend ersucht, Vorzeiger dieses
Passes aller Orten frey und ungehindert passiren, auch d~~ies~~elben nöthigen Falls
allen Vorschub angedeihen zu lassen, wobey man sich zu aller Gegenwillfährde
erhiethet.

K. k. Kreisregierung Götz am 18. Februar 1865
Deputirter Präsident
Karl v. Rospin

believed was of a higher station in life than he, just a poor orphan weaver. However, he realized that

“Faint heart ne’er won fair lady.”

Yes, you have guessed right, Margaretha and Simon were happily married. My Aunt Regina (Stahl) Zechiel had this story from Grandpa Wolfram.

They lived in a part of the family home, sharing it with her sister’s family, the Remps, as the house was large enough that they could arrange for all. But after a time the call to America became too strong and they decided to cast their lot in the new country. This was not done on the spur of the moment; for though leaving in April, 1853, their passport, good for one year, is dated February of that year, to the Bremen-Hamburg Line. Following is a partial translation of the passport:

REISEPASS
for Simon Wolfram

Year of birth—1814	Is traveling from Asch
Stature—medium height	through Saxony to
Face—thin	Hamburg and Bremen.
Hair—brown	This pass good for one
Eyes—blue-gray	year.
Mouth—average	
Nose—rather long	
Unusual marks—Small pox marks	

Weaver by trade

In the Name of His Austrian and Hungarian
Highnesses, etc., etc.

All civil and military authorities are requested to allow the one who holds and shows this pass to travel free and unhindered and also to assist him in case of need and we promise to comply with the above reading.

In the Government district of Eger, 12th of Feb. 1853.

District President.

(signed)

(On the back of the passport.)

With him in travel:

His wife Margaretha Wolfram, born at Asch 1817. Medium stature, blond hair and gray eyes.

John—born Aug. 4, 1840

Magdalena—born July 18, 1846

Anna Katherina—born July 15, 1849

These parents evidently were looking into the future, for they secured birth certificates for each member of the family. These are dated April 2, 1853, at the church office, also legally sealed, and the price but a few cents. Quite different from the struggles some of us are having these days to get our certificates! (See picture.)

At this time there were three living children, John, Mary and Anna Catherine (Anstena), two having died in infancy. The amount of personal belongings they could bring with them was limited but

Auch in diesem
Kirchenschein



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hier am 14. August 1817
geboren in der Kirche St. C. zu
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Egelkraut, Anna Margaretha, ist geboren
in Mankata A. B. N. C. 1817 am 14. August 1817 mit Mutter
am 14. August 1817 in der Kirche St. C. zu
geboren und ist am 17. August 1817 in der Kirche St. C. zu
geboren worden.

Der Vater: Herr, der Name Egelkraut, geboren
in Mankata A. B. N. C. 1817.

Der Mutter: Frau, der Name Egelkraut, geboren
in Mankata A. B. N. C. 1817.

Der Name der Mutter: Anna Margaretha
geboren in Mankata A. B. N. C. 1817.

Wir haben einverstanden, dass der Name Egelkraut
in Mankata A. B. N. C. 1817.

Obengenanntes ist am 2. April 1853.

Herr, der Name
Egelkraut.

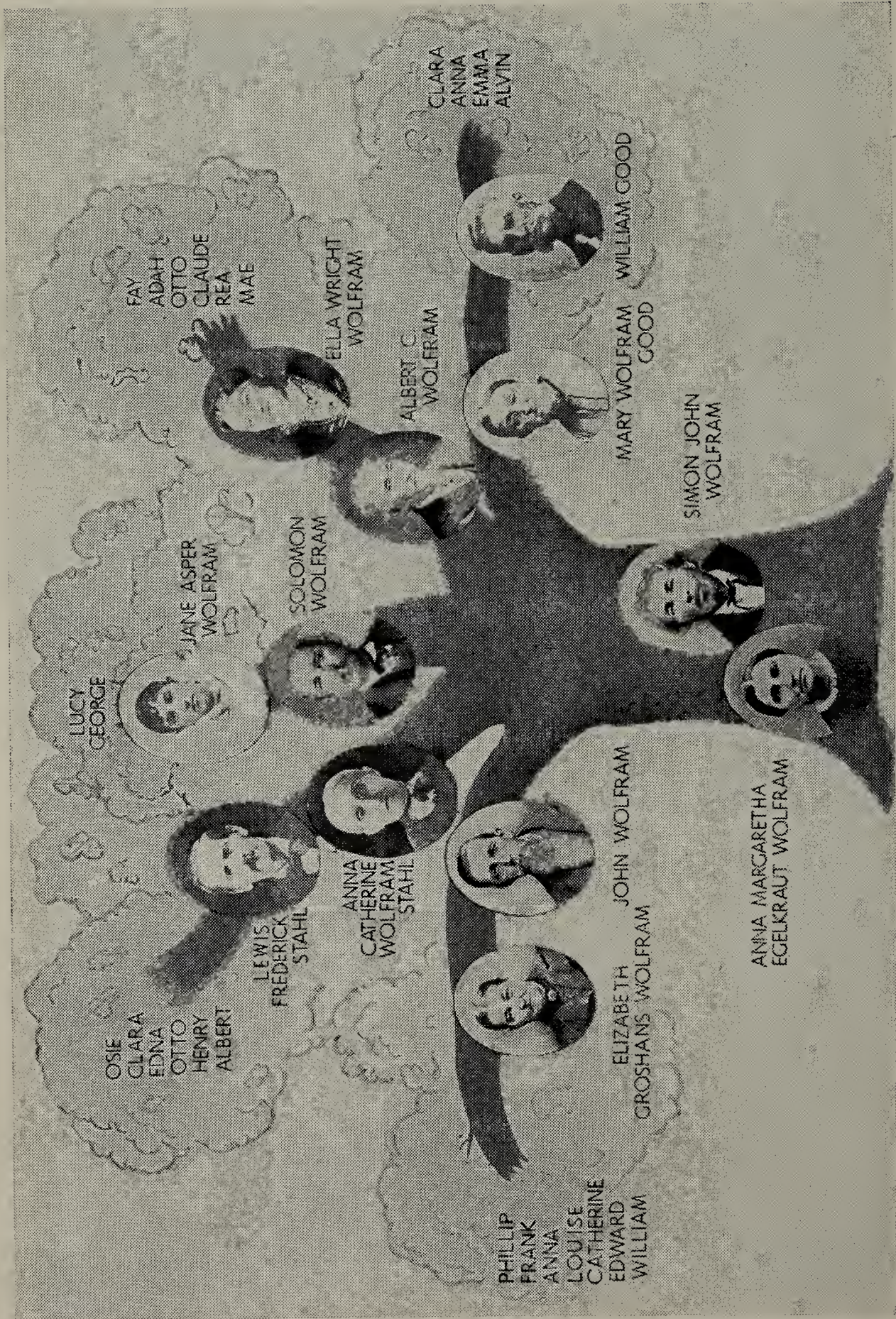
they had at least one large chest which contained among other things, a feather bed and some bed clothing. I faintly recall a gray silk dress with shirred bonnet to match, which was the mother's good dress on the trip. This fell to pieces, but still intact is a brown silk cape, trimmed in lace and braid, showing beautiful hand work, the "Bon Voyage" gift of a dear friend.

The voyage was not a pleasant one, however. The sea was rough at times, the sailing vessel was small and their living and cooking facilities limited—they did their own cooking. People were ill, one little girl died and was buried at sea at night. Then Anna Catherine became very sick and her mother was worried for fear that she, too, would have a watery grave. After seven weeks the boat docked in New York, and they continued on to Ohio, where her sister Mary Adler and family were living. What a happy meeting that must have been!

Times were not good for them in Norwich, Huron County, Ohio. Because her husband's health was poor, Margaretha sometimes worked away to help make the living. It was hard to work for English-speaking people, as she was sensitive and tears came when they sometimes laughed at her as she, perhaps, brought the wrong thing from the cellar, or did things differently than she was told because she did not understand the language. But in the end it was a help to her, for she learned English sooner than otherwise, and sooner than her husband.

In 1858 they moved to Indiana, coming by train. They purchased forty acres from the government, paying \$50.00, but there was no place accessible on it to build a house, the high ground being surrounded by swamps. So they bought an adjoining sandy piece of ten acres from Mr. Brown for \$50.00. To this sand hill they moved a log house, purchased from another neighbor, in which they lived for some time. This house had only one room with a loft above and a lean-to kitchen. By and by they built a larger, frame house, then added a kitchen and weave room, which gave them a very comfortable home. How pleasant it must have been for Margaret to be living again in a home that more nearly approached the roomy one of her childhood! Until a well could be provided, they used water from the spring at the foot of the hill. She had a good garden below the hill.

Grandmother had gray eyes, was short and rather fleshy in later years. Although she was inclined to worry, she was lively and jolly, and could take a joke; she was religious, enjoying her German Bible and hymn book. In Indiana, there was no Lutheran church to attend, so they united with the Reformed church, becoming charter members at Zion, located three miles southwest of Culver. They often walked to the services there as they had done to the Kaley School House which had formerly been used for services. So different this was from the beautiful stone church in Asch! Sometimes they went with the ox-wagon as they had no horses. They occasionally held evening cottage prayer meetings. One time the Stahl family from the Zion neighborhood drove down to Wolfram's with their ox-wagon, picked



Wolfram Family Tree

them up, then all went on to Uncle Adlers for the prayer meeting. But that made too big a load, so Albert Wolfram and Jake Stahl had to walk alongside the oxen.

These ancestors of ours really experienced many hardships and discouragements; but the light of hope and faith was always kept burning. During the last three years of her life, Margaret Wolfram suffered much from an infection in her foot which hastened her death. She passed away on November 7, 1883, at the age of 66 years, 2 months and 23 days and was laid to rest in the Zion Cemetery. She was the mother of seven children. Besides the ones previously mentioned, Albert and Solomon were born in America.

JOHN SIMON WOLFRAM

(3) John Simon Wolfram was born in Neuberg, Steinpohl, District of Eger, Austria, February 11, 1814. His parents were John Frederick Wolfram, born at Teifen Brunn in Saxony, Germany, and Anna Catherine (Haussman) Wolfram, only daughter of John Michael Haussman of Schwarzenloh. His birth certificate, given by the Neuberg church, tells that he was baptized when four days old, the godfather being John Simon Ludwig. The family lived in the villages of Neuberg and Schoenbach, near Asch, but the father and sister, and finally the mother, all died, leaving young Simon to shift for himself. In those days it was customary for a young man to go out into the world, "in der Fremde," for a time. For this, Simon took a trip to Vienna, the beautiful capital city of Austria.

It is to his credit that he thoroughly learned the art of weaving, going through the successive stages of apprentice and journeyman, then passing his test, and so earning the highest title, "meister"—master weaver. At one time he had as many as six men to work under him. He wove different fabrics, in Asch, chiefly silks for shawls, dress material, etc., being especially skillful in weaving beautiful brocaded silk shawls, where his fine workmanship was shown. We still have one in good condition in our possession. While in America, the materials more in demand were linsey-woolsey and wool for blankets and dress materials, jeans for men's clothing, and carpets.

(The following quotation is taken from a "History of Starke County" published in 1915.)

"Until he was thirteen, Simon Wolfram attended the public schools, and at that time began to learn the trade of weaver, which he followed in his home town until 1853. Seeing nothing ahead of him in his native land but many years of hard labor, with little chance of obtaining a competency, Mr. Wolfram finally decided to bring his little family to the United States. Mr. Wolfram was very poor but had received assurance of assistance from his wife's brother, Christian Egelkraut, and accordingly the little party set out for Bremen. The vessel they had contracted to come on was delayed for several weeks and young Egelkraut while investigating conditions, found a vessel ready to start and accordingly boarded it,

this leaving him no time to leave his brother-in-law some money. After much delay and unpleasantness in the dirty immigrant station, the little party finally secured passage on the little sailing ship "Norman," which had a very limited capacity. After purchasing the tickets, Mr. Wolfram found himself with but fifty cents and his kinsmen many weeks on his way to America. After three weeks of favorable sailing, the wind changed and for two weeks the boat made no headway, but finally got a full sail to the west and made port at New York City forty-nine days after sailing. It was the pitiful, careworn face of Mr. Wolfram's tired and worried wife that attracted the attention and pity of a good-hearted German lady who was on the way with her future husband, Herman Casper, and they gladly came to the rescue of this distracted family. Mr. Casper loaned Mr. Wolfram \$50.00 that enabled him to get from New York, via the river, lakes and canal to Huron County, Ohio, where he had friends and kinsmen. Simon Wolfram was soon found busy making jeans and other materials to repay his good friend, Casper."

Simon was never very robust, and while living in Ohio he feared he was developing tuberculosis. When he decided to move to Starke County, Indiana, his friends shook their heads, saying he wouldn't last long in that swampy country. But the prophets of woe were false, for he improved in health, living past the allotted three score years and ten. Perhaps his eating rye bread and drinking rye coffee and coffee made of acorns from the big white oak tree in his back yard, had something to do with it! Wisely, he spent most of his time doing the thing he knew best—weaving, since he knew little about farming; but he owned a yoke of oxen and some other stock.

He was quiet and retiring, given rather to meditation than talking; was of a deep religious nature, much interested in the church, with an abiding faith in God. A friend once said that Father Wolfram was the most humble Christian he had ever seen. He valued American citizenship so highly that he walked eighteen miles to Knox to get his second naturalization papers.

His life ended June 27, 1887, aged 73 years. His body was taken to the Zion Church and cemetery by "Grandpa" Jacob Zechiel in a casket he made. Mr. Zechiel used his spring wagon as the hearse, which was the usual procedure in that locality at that time.

JOHN M. WOLFRAM

31. (The first part of this sketch was taken from a "History of Starke County" published in 1915.)

"At present a retired citizen of Hamlet, John M. Wolfram has been one of the industrious men of Starke County, linking his name with all that is admirable in agriculture, and wise and progressive in individual life. In his long extended career he has discharged his duties as an individual with unvarying fidelity and this may be said also of his public life, for he served efficiently in his capacity as justice of the peace. He has been identified with all movements tending to promote the best interests of his locality, and has made an irreproachable record as a man of strict probity and pure motives. By his old neighbors, as well as by the townspeople of Hamlet, he is held in the highest esteem.

"John M. Wolfram was born August 4, 1840, in Austria, although his ancestry was of the purest German stock. He received only ordinary educational advantages in his native land and was thirteen years of age when his family came to America. He was variously employed in young manhood, accepting such honorable work as presented itself until coming to Starke County, Indiana, at the age of eighteen years. He here worked on his father's farm until 1865 when he enlisted in the Civil War. (See Chapter VI for war record.) At the close of the war he returned to the pursuits of peace and Mr. Wolfram again devoted himself to farming and in the years that followed succeeded in the accumulation of 120 acres of well-improved land not far from the town of Hamlet, Indiana, in Oregon Township, of which he still owns forty acres. . . For eight years he served Oregon Township as deputy sheriff and justice of the peace, and in 1905 he retired from active labors and came to Hamlet, where in 1910 he was elected justice of the peace, a position he has since continued to fill with the greatest ability."

John M. Wolfram, oldest child of Simon and Margaret Wolfram, was born August 4, 1840, in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria. Although he was thirteen years old before he knew a word of English, he became a school teacher, sometimes having American-born pupils as old as himself. It was while engaged in this work that he met his future wife, Elizabeth Groshans, who was also a teacher.

They were married in Oregon Township in February, 1866, settling on a farm, but he kept on with both occupations for some time. They joined the Methodist church near their home, taking their membership to Hamlet when they moved to that town. This church has been greatly benefitted by various members of the Wolfram family.

Uncle John was a welcome visitor whenever he went to see his relatives. How hard the children tried to keep awake to hear Uncle talk! But the eyelids would grow heavy, and off to bed the youngsters had to go—while the men continued talking for hours. His life came

to a close on June 11, 1921, when he was almost eighty-one years of age. Burial was in the Hamlet Cemetery.

ELIZABETH (GROSHANS) WOLFRAM

(31) Elizabeth (Groshans) Wolfram, wife of John M. Wolfram and daughter of Conrad and Catherine (Wirten) Groshans, was born in Wapakoneta, Auglaize County, Ohio, June 12, 1840. She was reared in her parents' home on land they had purchased from the government and developed into a good farm. At the age of thirteen, she came with her parents to Starke County, Indiana, where they again took up land, being one of the pioneer families near Walkerton.

Elizabeth attended the public schools in Ohio and Indiana and later joined the ranks of school teachers, continuing teaching until after her marriage. She was a good mother to their seven children, a fine friend and neighbor, and possessed a calm, serene disposition. Death claimed her on March 31, 1926, and she was laid to rest beside her husband in the Hamlet Cemetery.

CATHERINE MARGARET (WOLFRAM) HARDESTY

311. Catherine Margaret (Wolfram) Hardesty was born in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana, on November 26, 1866, the first child of John M. and his wife Elizabeth Wolfram. She was a bright child and early finished the courses offered in the local school and then taught in her county. They say that when she began teaching she still wore her hair in long braids, being only sixteen years of age, and had pupils older and much larger than herself.

On the eighth day of April, 1888, she was married to Hamlin Hardesty at Walkerton, Indiana, and they settled in Hamlet where their three children were born. Here they operated a general store as well as farms, a hay press and elevator. Kate, as she was called by everyone, was an excellent business woman and possessed the fine quality of a good, sound judgment which she used in helping to carry on their business. Since her husband was more interested in farming than in the store, she was left to do most of the managing of it and continued this until late in life. Although her life was a busy one, she found time to keep well abreast of the times, was sympathetic and always ready to help where and when needed, and was active in the M. E. Church in Hamlet.

For over twenty years she was the faithful teacher of the women's class in the Sunday school and after her death a baptismal font was placed in the church as a memorial to her by this class. She was also financial secretary of the church for a long time. After a long illness of heart trouble she passed from this earth on March 18, 1936, with interment in the Hamlet Cemetery.

HAMLIN HARDESTY

(311) Hamlin Hardesty, husband of Catherine Hardesty and son of Harmon and Isabelle (Milner) Hardesty, was born in Porter County, Indiana, on February 15, 1862. He received the usual public school

instruction and early in life gave evidence of having unusual business ability and later acquired considerable wealth in farms, a general store, grain elevator and hay press. He liked to barter and often bought and sold carloads of stock or grain.

His business affairs seemed to have been heavier than he could stand, for he suffered a physical and mental collapse from which he never completely recovered. This condition added cares and responsibilities to his good wife's already busy life, but her devotion never wavered and she carried on with courage and confidence in God. He passed away on January 21, 1912, and was buried in the Hamlet Cemetery.

RAYMOND EARL HARDESTY

3111. Raymond Earl Hardesty, first child of Hamlin and Catherine Hardesty, was born in Hamlet, Starke County, Indiana, on September 29, 1891. He attended the Hamlet public schools, graduating from the high school, and then attended Purdue University from which he was graduated in 1914, having pursued work in the Agricultural School.

He married Miss Anna Luken of Hamlet on February 26, 1921. Two sons, James and Donald, have blessed their home. They have lived on their large farm, one and one-half miles northwest of Hamlet, where with the co-operation of all they have done a good job of farming. Raymond has become interested in and has specialized in Short Horn live stock and Hybrid seed corn, thus showing his interest in up-to-date farming. Raymond and his family attend the M. E. Church and also take active part in local civic and farm organizations.

ANNA CHRISTINA (LUKEN) HARDESTY

(3111) Anna Christina (Luken) Hardesty, daughter of August F. and Louise Caroline (Hutt) Luken, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on February 13, 1888, the family later moving to Hamlet, Indiana. When she was married to Raymond Hardesty in 1921, she took on the duties of a farmer's wife and has carried on her part faithfully and well in her quiet and unassuming manner. She has always been known as "Ann."

JAMES RUSSELL HARDESTY

31111. James Russell Hardesty, oldest son of Raymond and Anna Hardesty, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on January 29, 1922. He attended the Hamlet schools graduating from the high school and is now in his second year at Purdue University at West Lafayette, Indiana.

DONALD HARDESTY

31112. Donald Hardesty, second son of Raymond and Anna Hardesty, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on September 4, 1924, and is attending the Hamlet public school.

EDNA ELIZABETH (HARDESTY) SHANKLAND

3112. Edna Elizabeth (Hardesty) Shankland was born in Hamlet, Indiana, on December 17, 1892, the oldest daughter of Catherine and

Hamlin Hardesty. She attended common school and high school in Hamlet, having graduated from the latter.

On October 26, 1909, she was united in marriage to Roy Shankland and they moved on a farm. Later they purchased a good farm about three miles southeast of Hamlet where she continues to reside. Ten children were born to them and needless to say Edna has been a busy woman through the years. However, she has had time to do active work in the Hamlet M. E. Church and in county and community activities, especially farm organizations. After being divorced from her husband she successfully carried on with her family on the farm.

ROY SHANKLAND

(3112) Roy Shankland, husband of Edna Shankland, was born in Hoopeston, Illinois, May 6, 1887. After their separation he has remarried. He has been a farmer.

MARGARET ELIZABETH (SHANKLAND) OSSLER

31121. Margaret Elizabeth (Shankland) Ossler, oldest daughter of Edna and Roy Shankland, was born at Hamlet, Indiana, February 14, 1910. She attended the Grovertown, Indiana school, graduating from high school and also from business college. On January 16, 1932, she was united in marriage with Wilferd John Ossler at her home by Rev. Clifford L. Moody. Margaret did office work before her marriage and since has been a housewife and mother, having two children. They are Methodists and live in Hamlet.

WILFERD JOHN OSSLER

(31121) Wilferd John Ossler, son of Louis George and Lena (Backoff) Ossler, and husband of Margaret Ossler, was born June 9, 1910, in Chicago, Illinois. He received the usual public school education, also graduating from high school. He is living with his wife and two children in Hamlet and is employed in South Bend, Indiana, with the Railway Express Company.

NATHETA JOAN OSSLER

311211. Natheta Joan Ossler, daughter of Wilferd and Margaret Ossler, was born at Hamlet, Indiana on March 4, 1933, and attends school there.

GENE LOUIS OSSLER

311212. Gene Louis Ossler was born at Hamlet, Indiana, on May 14, 1934, the son of Wilferd and Margaret Ossler.

NAOMI (SHANKLAND) MERCHANT

31122. Naomi (Shankland) Merchant, daughter of Roy and Edna Shankland, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, November 2, 1911. She was graduated from high school at Grovertown, Indiana, and took up the study of nursing at Gary, Indiana. She became a registered

nurse and carried on in that profession until her marriage to Raymond Merchant on February 25, 1935, at Gary, Indiana. They have made their home at Lake Village, Indiana, and attend the U. B. Church. They have two children.

RAYMOND MERCHANT

(31122) Raymond Merchant, husband of Naomi Merchant and son of Samuel and Ellen Merchant, was born at Brooke, Indiana, October 28, 1902. He attended DePauw University, has a B.S. degree from the University of Illinois, and his M.D. from Rush Medical College. He is a physician and surgeon in Lake Village, Indiana, where he resides with his family and also teaches Internal Medicine at the University of Chicago.

MARY KATHRYN MERCHANT

311221. Mary Kathryn Merchant, daughter of Raymond and Naomi Merchant, was born December 24, 1936, and resides with her parents.

JAMES ROBERT MERCHANT

311222. James Robert Merchant, son of Raymond and Naomi Merchant, was born March 12, 1940.

CLARK WILLIAM SHANKLAND

31123. Clark William Shankland, son of Roy and Edna Shankland, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on January 9, 1913. He received his schooling in the Grovertown school and is a truck driver with his home now in New Carlisle, Indiana. He was married to Mary Eleanor Runnels and has two children.

MARY ELEANOR (RUNNELS) SHANKLAND

(31123) Mary Eleanor (Runnels) Shankland was born to Paul P. and Lillian C. Runnels in La Porte County, Indiana, on February 24, 1914. She received the usual high school training and is now a housewife. She attends the Community Christian Church.

MARY ANN SHANKLAND

311231. Mary Ann Shankland, daughter of Clark and Mary Eleanor Shankland, was born in La Porte County, Indiana, February 6, 1940.

WILLIAM CLARK SHANKLAND, JR.

311232. William Clark Shankland was born to Clark and Mary Eleanor Shankland in La Porte County, Indiana, June 21, 1941, and lives at home.

LEOTA LEORA (SHANKLAND) KELVER

31124. Leota Leora (Shankland) Kelter was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on March 26, 1914, the daughter of Roy and Edna Shankland.

She was graduated from the Grovertown High School. On October 14, 1933, she was married to Elmer Kelter at the parsonage of the M. E. Church by Rev. Clifford L. Moody. She is busy as a housewife and mother of two children. They attend the M. E. Church.

ELMER LOUIS KELVER

(31124) Elmer Louis Kelter, son of Louis F. and Edith (Dipert) Kelter, and husband of Leota Kelter, was born at Plymouth, Indiana, on January 27, 1908. He attended high school and married Leota in 1933. He is a farmer and they are living west of Koontz Lake, Indiana.

LETA LYNN KELVER

311241. Leta Lynn Kelter, oldest child of Elmer and Leota Kelter, was born at Walkerton, Indiana, on September 22, 1934, and lives at home.

DONN ELMER KELVER

311242. Donn Elmer Kelter, son of Elmer and Leota Kelter, was born on April 23, 1939, at Plymouth, Indiana.

NEVA SHANKLAND

31125. Neva Shankland, daughter of Roy and Edna Shankland, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on December 29, 1915. Neva was only privileged to stay here a short while, as she was called in death on April 4, 1919.

PAULINE MABEL (SHANKLAND) BLAD

31126. Pauline Mabel (Shankland) Blad was born at Hamlet, Indiana, daughter of Roy and Edna Shankland, on September 2, 1917. She was graduated from the Grovertown High School in 1935. On June 24, 1936, she married John Blad at Battle Ground, Indiana, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Geo. E. Hartz. She is a Methodist and a member of the Home Economics Club, so we are sure she is a successful housewife and mother to her children.

JOHN ALBERT BLAD

(31126) John Albert Blad, son of Albert and Ida (Carlson) Blad, was born on June 24, 1913. He was graduated from high school in 1931 and has a truck and semi-trailer, doing hauling for the Indiana Steel Dispatch of Gary, Indiana. He is the husband of Pauline Blad, lives in Hamlet, Indiana, and is a member of the Swedish Lutheran Church.

JOHN ALBERT BLAD, JR.

311261. John Albert Blad, Jr., first son of John and Pauline Blad, was born January 9, 1939.

ROBERT JAMES BLAD

311262. Robert James Blad was born on June 3, 1941, second son of John and Pauline Blad.

THOMAS RAYMOND BLAD

311263. Thomas Raymond Blad, third son of Pauline and John Blad, was born at Hamlet, Indiana, May 21, 1942.

EDWINNA (SHANKLAND) PAXTON

31127. Edwinna (Shankland) Paxton, daughter of Roy and Edna Shankland, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on September 21, 1920. She was graduated from the Grovertown High School in 1938 and from the Wayne University of Beauty Culture. She has been working as a beautician since then. On November 23, 1939, she was married to Harold Paxton and they have lived in Plymouth, Indiana, since that time. They attend the M. E. Church there.

HAROLD ROBERT PAXTON

(31127) Harold Robert Paxton, husband of Edwinna Paxton, and son of Grover and Arretta (McKee) Paxton, was born September 1, 1914, in Fountain, Michigan. The family having moved to Plymouth, Indiana, he attended high school there. He is a sheet metal worker and is employed in the McCord Mfg. Company of Plymouth.

MARY JEAN SHANKLAND

31128. Mary Jean Shankland was born on September 3, 1925, the daughter of Roy and Edna Shankland, near Hamlet, Indiana. She is now attending high school at Grovertown and staying at home.

MAX SHANKLAND

31129. Max Shankland, second son of Roy and Edna Shankland, was born near Hamlet, Indiana, November 24, 1926. He is attending school at Grovertown, and being the only boy at home, he finds lots to do on the farm.

ANNA MAE SHANKLAND

3112-10. Anna Mae Shankland, youngest child of Roy and Edna Shankland, was born October 31, 1929, near Hamlet, Indiana. She lives with her mother and goes to school at Grovertown.

KATHRYN ISABELLE (HARDESTY) HILL

3113. Kathryn Isabelle (Hardesty) Hill, youngest child of Hamlin and Catherine Hardesty, was born in Hamlet, Indiana, on September 26, 1898. She was graduated from the Hamlet High School and entered Ohio Wesleyan College, graduating there in 1920 with B.A. and B.S. degrees, majoring in dietetics. Later she took additional courses in Chicago, then served as dietitian at the Elkhart Hospital, Elkhart, Indiana and also two years at St. Luke's in Chicago. She then worked in the store with her mother, taking over the management of it and later the ownership.

On July 7, 1928, she was married to John Hill. Following their marriage they made their home with her mother in the house adjoin-

ing the store. They have been successful in carrying on the business and have quite an up-to-date and complete general store for a small town. As one evidence of this they have recently installed locker service. They have a daughter, Elizabeth. Kathryn, true daughter of her mother, is also a worker in the M. E. Church and active in the better things of the community.

JOHN M. HILL

(3113) John M. Hill, son of Rev. John Sloan and Caroline Wilson (Porter) Hill and husband of Kathryn Hill, was born at Latrove, Pennsylvania, on August 26, 1901. He was graduated from high school and for several years attended Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois. Being a Presbyterian minister's son, he lived in a number of places, but before his marriage he was employed by the Western Electric Company in Chicago. Since that time he has worked with his wife in operating their store in Hamlet.

ELIZABETH HILL

31131. Elizabeth Hill, daughter of John and Kathryn Hill, was born in Hamlet, Indiana, on August 23, 1931. She has always been called "Betty" and is living with her parents in Hamlet.

EDWARD FREDERICK WOLFRAM

312. Edward Frederick Wolfram, first son of John and Elizabeth Wolfram, was born February 15, 1869, on a farm in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana. Being the oldest boy he had to help his father on the farm and when some of the older children grew big enough to help, he went out to work. One of these places was in the neighborhood of his aunt, Anna Stahl, near Culver, where he was employed for some time with several families and where he made some life-long friends. He also learned the carpenter trade.

On September 29, 1897, "Ed" married Ida Mae Patrick and they made their home in Hamlet. Three children came to them: Mabel, Mildred and Earl. Most of his life's work was done in the general store of his sister, Kate Hardesty, in Hamlet. He was as much interested in this store as if it had been his own and worked faithfully there until stricken with cerebral hemorrhage. He never recovered from this and after two days of intense suffering he passed away on July 16, 1941, with burial in the Hamlet Cemetery.

Ed was a devoted member of the M. E. Church in Hamlet and was the treasurer of that organization for over forty years. After his death the Men's Bible class presented the church with a Pulpit Bible in memory of him. He had a genial and friendly disposition and was always steady and reliable.

IDA MAE (PATRICK) WOLFRAM

(312) Ida Mae (Patrick) Wolfram was born near Hamlet, Indiana, on September 15, 1874, the daughter of Solomon and Mary Jane

(Shetterly) Patrick. At the age of six years she, with her parents, moved to the southern part of Indiana. In June, 1893, she was graduated from the North Vernon High School after which the family moved back to Hamlet. She taught school for three terms in Davis Township, Starke County, then on September 29, 1897, was married to Edward Wolfram.

She has always been interested in the church. In her youth she attended the Baptist church, then joined the M. E. Church in Hamlet. Here she helped organize and was the first president of the Ladies Aid and has always continued active in this work.

MABEL RUTH (WOLFRAM) GINDELBERGER

3121. Mabel Ruth (Wolfram) Gindelberger, oldest daughter of Edward and Ida Wolfram, was born at Hamlet, Indiana, on September 2, 1898. She was graduated from Hamlet High School, then took one year normal work at Valparaiso College and one year at Indiana University, at Bloomington. She successfully taught school in Hamlet and in South Bend, Indiana, until her marriage on April 2, 1928, to Floyd A. Gindelberger in the parsonage of the River Park M. E. Church of South Bend. Since then she has been occupied in making a home for her husband and daughter, Jane.

FLOYD AUSTIN GINDELBERGER

(3121) Floyd Austin Gindelberger was born in St. Joseph County, Indiana, on August 18, 1893, to David E. and Martha (Wiley) Gindelberger. He was graduated from the Walkerton, Indiana, High School. He has worked for Uncle Sam in the United States Postal Department most of his adult years and at present is a supervisor in the post office in South Bend, Indiana. For his World War record see Chapter VI.

JANE ELLEN GINDELBERGER

31211. Jane Ellen Gindelberger was born in South Bend, Indiana, on November 26, 1935, the daughter of Floyd and Mabel Gindelberger.

MILDRED LUCILE WOLFRAM

3122. Mildred Lucile Wolfram was born, the second child of Edward and Ida Wolfram, on May 13, 1905, at Hamlet, Indiana. She was graduated from the Hamlet High School and has taken up teaching as her life work. In preparation for this, she has had two years normal work at Indiana University and received her B.S. degree from Ball State Teachers College at Muncie, Indiana, in 1941. She has taught in several places and at present is the Principal of the Primary School of Rensselaer, Indiana. She is a member of the Delta Theta Chi National Sorority and Kappa Delta Pi Honorary Educational Society; Jasper County representative of the Department of Elementary School Principals, N.E.A.

EARL EDWARD WOLFRAM

3123. Earl Edward Wolfram, only son of Edward and Ida Wolfram, was born in Hamlet, Indiana, on October 17, 1909. He was not permitted to be here long, as he became ill of sugar diabetes and died on December 23, 1917, at the age of eight years.

WILLIAM ALBERT WOLFRAM

313. William Albert Wolfram, second son of John and Elizabeth Wolfram, was born in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana, on January 6, 1872. His education was obtained in the country schools of the neighborhood. He was a farmer all his life, beginning on his father's farm and later when his sister Kate had married, he lived with them working on their farms. Later, he acquired some land of his own. He never married, so always made his home with his sister.

He was a member of the M. E. Church of Hamlet and was one of the leading members of the church choir for a number of years. Will had been troubled with a heart ailment for some time, but it was a great shock to all when on the morning of November 2, 1928, he was found dead in his bed.

MINA LOUISE (WOLFRAM) McCORMICK

314. Mina Louise (Wolfram) McCormick was born in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana, on May 11, 1874, the daughter of John M. and Elizabeth Wolfram. She received her schooling in the little grammar school in the neighborhood. She helped her mother in the home, and for some time before her marriage, she stayed with her sister Kate, in Hamlet, helping in the house and store.

In 1892 "Lou" was married to Joseph W. McCormick in Hamlet. They have lived in several places where her husband's work took them; namely, Chicago, Valparaiso, Plymouth and Fort Wayne. Also, they spent over four years in New Mexico where they went for his health. They had two children, Ralph and Leta, and since Lou was never very robust, she has done well to care for her home and family. For a number of years she has made Fort Wayne, Indiana, her home. She and her family are members of the Methodist church.

JOSEPH WILLIAM McCORMICK

(314) Joseph William McCormick, husband of Mina Louise McCormick and son of John T. and Catherine (Rose) McCormick, was born in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, in 1868. When a young man he began working for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the boiler shops. He then became brakeman and was on the Pennsylvania Flier (now the Broadway Limited), the fastest train in the world at that time, when it made its first trip. Later, he was made baggage man, which position he held until he retired in 1937. He was in the service of the company for fifty-one years—a fine record.

For some time his health failed and he, with his wife, spent some years in New Mexico where he greatly improved, and on returning

resumed his work. On October 1, 1937, he retired. However, his well earned rest was very brief, for after three weeks, he passed away.

RALPH CLINTON McCORMICK

3141. Ralph Clinton McCormick, son of Joseph W. and Mina Louise McCormick, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on March 2, 1893. He was graduated from the Plymouth, Indiana, High School and also attended Purdue University at W. Lafayette, Indiana. He was an aviator in the first World War and has been working for the Pennsylvania Railroad company for a number of years as an engineer. He must have learned from his father to like trains. He lives in Ft. Wayne with his mother. See Chapter VI.

LETA ELIZABETH McCORMICK

3142. Leta Elizabeth McCormick, daughter of Joseph and Mina Louise McCormick, was born at Valparaiso, Indiana, November 22, 1894. She graduated from the high school in Plymouth, Indiana, from the National Kindergarten College of Chicago, and also from the Medical Technicians Course Post Graduate Hospital, Chicago. Leta is medical technician and secretary to Dr. Frank Wright of Chicago.

ANNA ELIZA (WOLFRAM) JACK

315. Anna Eliza (Wolfram) Jack, daughter of John and Elizabeth Wolfram, was born on the 25th day of November, 1876, in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana. She went with the older brothers and sisters to the country school and when grown did the housework in the home of her sister, Kate.

While here, Anna met a tall, nice looking young man from Illinois in the person of Porter Jack and before so long they were married on December 29, 1898. They settled on his farm north of Hamlet and here two children were born to them—Elizabeth and Samuel.

In the fall of 1916, Anna was stricken with an attack of appendicitis and was taken to the Epworth Hospital in South Bend, Indiana, where she underwent an operation. Everything was done for her that could be, but to no avail, and she passed to her reward on November 17, 1916, at the early age of thirty-nine years. She was active in the M. E. Church.

PORTER JACK

(315) Porter Jack, son of Samuel and Jack, was born at Farmington, Illinois, on January 14, 1877. He was married to Anna Wolfram on December 29, 1898, and is a successful farmer and stock man. Some years after her death, Porter married again and is living on his farm near Hamlet, Indiana.

ELIZABETH ELLEN (JACK) GRANADE

3151. Elizabeth Ellen (Jack) Granade, oldest child of Porter and Anna Jack, was born January 31, 1900, near Hamlet, Indiana. She was graduated from the Hamlet High School and attended the Ameri-

can College of Physical Education in Chicago, Illinois, for two years after which she worked for Dr. B. B. Maier there until her marriage to Homer Granade in her home on December 27, 1926. They lived for a while in Ohio, then in La Crosse, Wisconsin, and for a number of years have been living in Chicago. She is a member of the national sorority of Delta Psi Kappa and the Presbyterian church, and is active in school and civic affairs. She has one daughter, Mildred.

HOMER ULYSSES GRANADE

(3151) Homer Ulysses Granade, husband of Elizabeth Granade and son of Homer and Elizabeth (MacMullen) Granade, was born in St. Louis, Missouri, on July 4, 1891. He was graduated from the St. Louis High School and attended St. Louis University. He is a Mason and member of the Oriental Consistory of Medinah Temple Shriners, and was with the Royal Canadian Air Force in the World War. While in La Crosse, Wisconsin, he was owner of the Universal Roofing Company. See his military record in Chapter VI.

MILDRED ANNA GRANADE

31511. Mildred Anna Granade was born in Chicago, Illinois, on July 5, 1932, the only child of Homer and Elizabeth Granade.

SAMUEL RICHARD JACK

3152. Samuel Richard Jack, only son of Porter and Anna Jack, was born on a farm near Hamlet, Indiana, on May 26, 1911, and graduated from the Hamlet High School. On July 7, 1935, he was married to Bernice Lydecker, of Walkerton and they are living on part of his father's farm a few miles from Hamlet. Sam is interested in poultry and is raising chickens in the modern and scientific way, besides farming.

BERNICE (LYDECKER) JACK

(3152) Bernice (Lydecker) Jack, wife of Samuel Jack, was born in Walkerton, Indiana, on June 8, 1915, the daughter of Fred and Nettie (Kreighbaum) Lydecker. She was graduated from the Walkerton High School and was a clerk in a general store in her home town until her marriage to Samuel Jack. Since then she has been doing her share of the work in the farm home. They attend the Presbyterian church in Walkerton.

CHARLES FRANKLIN WOLFRAM

316. Charles Franklin Wolfram first saw the light of day in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana, on August 18, 1879. His father and mother were John and Elizabeth Wolfram. His education was acquired in the country school and when grown, he became a cement worker in Hamlet, making walks, blocks and different articles in cement.

Frank was never married and we wonder how he escaped, for he was handsome, good natured and a good mixer. He became ill with

tuberculosis and died on April 5, 1932, with interment in the Hamlet Cemetery.

JOHN PHILIP WOLFRAM

317. John Philip Wolfram, youngest child of John and Elizabeth Wolfram, was born in Oregon Township, Starke County, Indiana, on May 21, 1882. He received his education in the township schools and after helping on the farm for some time he went to his sister Kate's, there helping to farm and operate a grain elevator. On November 12, 1908, wedding bells rang for him and Rae Shoemaker and for a while they lived in Hamlet where their son Donald was born.

In 1907 they moved to West Lebanon, Indiana, and in 1913 to Brownsburg, where they purchased elevators. He still owns the one at Brownsburg, where they have made their home since, although on account of ill health he is not active in the work at the present time. He has been a very successful business man, being honest and upright in his dealings and has built up a fine business known as the Wolfram Grain Company. His family belongs to the Christian Church.

RAE (SHOEMAKER) WOLFRAM

(317) Rae (Shoemaker) Wolfram, wife of J. Philip Wolfram and daughter of Jacob and Alice (Cauffman) Shoemaker, was born in Claypool, Indiana, on November 25, 1885. She had the usual schooling and before her marriage to "Phil," worked in Hamlet in the Hardesty store. She has had the misfortune of having had poor health through the years and has been a patient sufferer through many sieges of bone fractures and illnesses. Rae is a lover of flowers and has a beautiful garden of roses and other varieties.

DONALD JOHN WOLFRAM

3171. Donald John Wolfram, "Don," was born in Hamlet, Indiana, June 4, 1910, the only child of J. Philip and Rae Wolfram. He was graduated from Brownsburg High School and from Indiana University Medical School in 1934. He spent three years in fellowship at Mayo Brothers Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, and began practice in Indianapolis, in 1938.

On September 1, 1937, he was married to Rilla Titus and they lived in Indianapolis for several years. While in college he joined the Medical Reserves and in December, 1940, was called to active duty as first lieutenant. He is now a major and is living with his wife and daughter at Camp Lee, Virginia.

RILLA MAUDE (TITUS) WOLFRAM

(3171) Rilla Maude (Titus) Wolfram, wife of Donald Wolfram and daughter of Harry and Edith (Strader) Titus, was born in Bemidji, Minnesota, April 6, 1916. She was graduated from high school and took two years of junior college work at Rochester, Minnesota. She was married to Don at Bemidji, and they have one daughter, Gretchen. They attend the Presbyterian church.

GRETCHEN WOLFRAM

31711. Gretchen Wolfram, daughter of Donald and Rilla Wolfram, was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 17, 1940.

MARGARETHA WOLFRAM

32. Margaretha Wolfram, oldest daughter of Simon and Margaretha Wolfram, was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, September 21, 1842, and died on October 9, 1842, less than a month old.

GEORGE WOLFRAM

33. George Wolfram, son of Simon and Margaretha Wolfram, was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on August 4, 1844. When about four years of age, he departed this life, on May 20, 1848.



Evangelical Lutheran
Church in Asch



Zion Reformed Church,
Culver, Indiana

CHURCH IN ASCH

The church in Asch, shown on preceding page, to which the family belonged, is the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The first building was of wood. The next was built of stone in the fourteenth or fifteenth century. In 1622 a new one was erected to which was added, in 1682, the present tower with its octagonal belfry and double cupolas. As the congregation grew, this building became too small. It was torn down in 1747 and the present one erected, which was completed in 1752. Work was entirely halted for a month, when a force of 13,000 soldiers marched through, then in a few weeks marched back again. Eight companies remained camped for several weeks right in the midst of Asch.

Though from the outside the church is a rather plain stone structure, the inside is very impressive with its beautiful altar, baptismal font, reading desk and the hand carved decorations on the three balconies. As to size, its appearance is deceiving, for it seats more than two thousand people. The cemetery adjoins the church and was enlarged from time to time until it extended to the town hall. The trees were planted around the churchyard in 1777.

ZION CHURCH

In America, the Zion Reformed Church, three miles southwest of Culver, Indiana, comes nearer being the family church than any other, since among its eighteen charter members are John and Magdalena Adler, Simon and Margaret Wolfram, Mary Wolfram and William Good. Others from these families later belonged to or attended Zion, as did also Uncle George Egelkraut and part of the Eva Uhl family. The congregation was organized in 1866 and worshipped in the Kaley school house until the present building was erected in 1873.

The cemetery is beautifully situated on a hill near the church, and here are laid to rest a number of the members of this family.

MARY MAGDALENA (WOLFRAM) GOOD

34. Mary Magdalena, first daughter of Simon and Anna Margaretha Wolfram, was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on July 18, 1846.

When she was seven years old her parents with their family emigrated to America. The story is told of her that while the ship was in dock in New York City, her father left the ship with some other men. Mary started with him and he told her to go back with her mother. He thought she had done so but instead she followed at a distance and was soon lost. When he returned, the mother wondered where Mary was, as she thought Mary had gone with her father. We can imagine their fright when we think of so small a child, who could not speak or understand any language but German, lost in New York City. After three hours of search Mary was found in a store where the proprietor had given her candy and was entertaining her, expecting some one to be searching for her.

The family went to Huron County, Ohio, and five years later moved to North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana.

Mary attended the common schools of the neighborhood and of Knox. She taught in Starke County for several years. This was no easy task; for the winter terms were hard with as many as fifty pupils of all ages and some older boys who often caused trouble.

She was married to William Good on March 1, 1868. The wedding took place at her parents' home and Rev. Jesse Schlosser, pastor of the Reformed Church, performed the ceremony. They went to house-keeping in North Bend, Starke County, on the banks of the Tippecanoe River. While living here, one cold winter day the house caught fire and burned to the ground. They were barely able to get the two small children out.

Mary and Will both became charter members of the Zion Reformed Church when it was organized in 1866 and always maintained a steadfast faith in God. She was very sincere and conscientious in her religious beliefs and was patient and uncomplaining, for she suffered almost constantly for a number of years with neuralgia in her head. We all remember her as wearing a head shawl on her head to help ease the pain. She was a lover of the outdoors and especially loved flowers. Her garden was always well stocked with many and unusual blooms in which she took great pride and was ever generous in sharing them with others. She was short in stature and he was tall, so they were "the long and short of it."

They lived in several localities and finally built a home on the one hundred acre farm they purchased near Mary's parents' home. When Mary's health failed, after some years, they left the farm to make their home with their daughter Anna at Bass Lake, Will being employed by his son-in-law.

She died of heart trouble on the 10th day of August, 1912, and was buried in the Zion Cemetery.

WILLIAM JEFFERSON GOOD

(34) William Jefferson Good, husband of Mary Good and son of John and Catherine (Romig) Good, was born in Seneca County, Ohio, on February 1, 1846. The family came to Starke County, Indiana, by wagon when William was three years old and settled on a farm in North Bend Township on the Tippecanoe River. Here his father farmed and kept the post office in their home. The mail was carried by coach from Plymouth to Winamac by way of Uniontown (now Culver) through North Bend. Passengers were also sometimes carried.

He attended the schools of the community and became a farmer. He was married to Mary Wolfram on March 1, 1868, and four children came into the home. He was a charter member of Zion Reformed Church and helped haul lumber to build the church as part of his contribution to the cause, the building being erected in 1873. He also helped plat the cemetery near the church and used his big wagon as a hearse for the first burial in the cemetery, that of a Mr. Bellman.

Will was a jolly, happy man and loved to visit his friends and relatives. Sometimes these visits were made slightly at the expense of his business but every one was always glad to see "Uncle Bill" and hear his cheery "hello." He was generous hearted, devoted to his family and grandchildren and when he passed away on November 20, 1933, in the home of his daughter, Clara Engle, at Knox at the age of eighty-seven, one of his friends said she thought that his mission in life was to give help and bring good cheer to those about him. He is buried in Zion Cemetery beside his good wife.

ALVIN SIMON GOOD

341. Alvin Simon Good, first child of William and Mary Good, was born on May 23, 1869, in North Bend, Starke County, Indiana. He grew up on the farm of his parents, helping with the work as the children had to do and attending the local school. Later he went to Valparaiso College at Valparaiso, Indiana, preparing himself for teaching. He taught with great success in the schools of the county for twelve years and married one of his fellow workers in the profession, Miss Alice Badgley. The wedding occurred on April 13, 1893, at her home in Starke County and six children were born to them.

Later he took up farming and lived on the land adjoining his father for a number of years. Selling his farm, he operated a hardware store in Argos, Indiana, for a short while, then moved to Knox where he still resides. He worked for the Nickle Plate Railroad Company for several years. At present he is custodian of the M. E. Church and hauls the mail between the trains and the post office.

He and his good wife are members of the Methodist church in Knox and have always been interested and active in the civic and religious affairs of the community.

ALICE MAY (BADGLEY) GOOD

(341) Alice May Badgley, daughter of James and Anna (Castleman) Badgley, was born April 3, 1870, at Silver Lake, Kosciusko

County, Indiana. She attended the common schools of that day and also attended Valparaiso College at Valparaiso, Indiana. She secured a license to teach and followed that profession until after her marriage to Alvin S. Good. They raised three boys and three girls.

Beside her home duties she has always been interested in the church and the better things of the community and, as she has been a lover of books and of reading, she has kept well abreast of the times.

LALA FERN (GOOD) HOFF

3411. Lala Fern (Good) Hoff was born the first daughter of Alvin and Alice Good in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on January 3, 1896. She attended grade school near her home and graduated from the Argos, Indiana, High School. She attended Valparaiso College and taught in the grades for a few years, then went to Washington, D. C., where she was employed in the United States Treasury Department for six years.

On September 3, 1923, Fern was united in marriage to Samuel C. Hoff, the ceremony having been performed in her home by Rev. Van Ormand. They set up their new home in South Bend, Indiana, and after a few years moved to Chicago, then to Calumet City, Illinois, where they, with their four daughters, are contributing their bit to the life of the community. The family is active in the Christian Church of that city.

SAMUEL CHESTER HOFF

(3411) Samuel Chester Hoff, husband of Fern Hoff and son of Jacob and Melinda (Kaley) Hoff, was born near Culver, Indiana, on October 12, 1892. He helped his father on the farm and early learned the carpenter trade which he has followed quite consistently. At present he is employed in the steel mills at Hammond, Indiana.

Some years during his boyhood were spent in North Dakota where his parents had moved.

MYRNA JOYCE HOFF

34111. Myrna Joyce Hoff was born in Chicago, Illinois, the oldest child of Samuel and Fern Hoff, on November 4, 1926. She is interested in her high school and its activities in Calumet City, Illinois.

PATRICIA ALICE HOFF

34112. Patricia Alice Hoff, second daughter of Samuel and Fern Hoff, was born October 5, 1931, at Calumet City, Illinois, and lives with her parents.

CAROLYN MAY HOFF

34113. Carolyn May Hoff, third daughter of Samuel and Fern Hoff, first saw the light of day in Calumet City, Illinois, on September 7, 1934. She is in the grade schools of that city.

LYNELLE CLAIRE HOFF

34114. Lynelle Claire Hoff was born in Calumet City, Illinois, on September 14, 1937, and is the family's chubby little girl.

IVA ORPHA (GOOD) BOWIE

3412. Iva Orpha (Good) Bowie was the second child of Alvin and Alice Good and born on July 16, 1898, in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, about three miles north of Monterey, Indiana. She was graduated from the Knox High School, then took special work at Valparaiso College; later at Chicago University and Ball State Teachers College at Muncie, Indiana. She spent two years in Washington, D. C., doing government work in the United States Treasury Department, then taught grade school. While in this profession she met Mr. Richard Bowie of Wheatfield, Indiana, whom she married on December 17, 1921. It was here that their son, Richard, was born.

In 1929 her husband was taken from them in death and she bravely took up the task of supporting herself and son by teaching. This she is still continuing to do, having taught most of the time in Knox, Indiana. She is also active in the Christian Church there.

RICHARD DEBBS BOWIE

(3412) Richard Debbs Bowie, only son of John and Agnes (Fuller) Bowie, was born in Monon, Indiana, August 1, 1898. He finished the high school course in Wheatfield, Indiana, and later took two years work in Valparaiso College. He taught in grade school several years, later doing some office work. He entered his country's service in the First World War and his war record will be found in Chapter VI. "Dick" suffered from shell shock which so impaired his health that after a long illness he answered his last roll call on July 17, 1929, and was interred in the Zion Cemetery, near Culver.

RICHARD D. BOWIE, JR.

34121. Richard D. Bowie, Jr., only son of Richard and Iva Bowie, was born in Wheatfield, Indiana, on October 16, 1922. He was graduated from Knox High School, has attended one year in Purdue University at West Lafayette, Indiana, and is now in Indiana University taking a general business course.

ELMA CHRISTENA (GOOD) ROSENBAUM

3413. Elma Christena (Good) Rosenbaum, daughter of Alvin and Alice Good, was born in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on August 4, 1901. She was graduated from the Knox, Indiana, High School and worked for several years as a telephone operator in Knox.

In May, 1922, she was married to Michael Rosenbaum and they have one son and one daughter. They have lived in several places,

Knox and La Porte, where they have operated stores, and at present they are in business at Stillwell, Indiana.

MICHAEL CARL ROSENBAUM

(3413) Michael Carl Rosenbaum, husband of Elma Rosenbaum, was born near Rensselaer, Indiana, in 1901. He lived near Hammond, Indiana, for a number of years and attended school there. Since his marriage to Elma Good in 1922, he has been a business man.

MICHAEL ALVIN ROSENBAUM

34131. Michael Alvin Rosenbaum, oldest child of Michael and Elma Rosenbaum, was born January 24, 1923. He has been graduated from the Stillwell High School and is employed in La Porte, Indiana.

MARIAN LORRAINE ROSENBAUM

34132. Marian Lorraine Rosenbaum, daughter of Michael and Elma Rosenbaum, was born December 7, 1924. She graduated from the high school in Stillwell, Indiana, in 1942 and is planning to enter South Bend Business College this fall.

VANCE ALVIN GOOD

3414. Vance Alvin Good, oldest son of Alvin and Alice Good, was born in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on June 10, 1906. He was graduated from the Knox High School; on December 24, 1927, he was married to Minnie Merchant of Knox and they have had two children. He has been operating a Shell Gas Service Station in Knox for several years with the help of his brother Bob.

MINNIE BERNICE (MERCHANT) GOOD

(3414) Minnie Bernice (Merchant) Good, wife of Vance Good, was born in Hamlet, Indiana, on March 19, 1908, the daughter of Lee and Ida May (Hill) Merchant. They moved to Wisconsin where she attended high school at Radisson, then returned to Knox. She and Vance were married in the Christian Church parsonage at Knox and they still attend that church.

VANCE ALVIN GOOD, JR.

34141. Vance Alvin Good, Jr., was born on December 27, 1928, in Knox, Indiana, the oldest child of Vance and Minnie Good. He has a paper route and helps his father.

MARGARET ANN GOOD

34142. Margaret Ann Good, daughter of Vance and Minnie Good, was born at Knox, Indiana, on June 19, 1930.

WILLIAM JEFFERSON GOOD

3415. William Jefferson Good, second son of Alvin and Alice Good, was born in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on

October 15, 1907. When a boy he with his parents moved to Knox where he was graduated from high school. He attended Purdue University for two years; worked in Chicago for some time and on August 24, 1933, was married to Jean Bowie. They have lived in Hammond, Indiana, most of the time and have three children. He is employed by the American Steel Mills at present operating a lathe. He also teaches others this work.

JEAN (BOWIE) GOOD

(3415) Jean (Bowie) Good, wife of William Good and daughter of John and Agnes (Fuller) Bowie, was born at Shelby, Indiana, August 24, 1904. She graduated from high school at Wheatfield, Indiana, and did office work for some years following her graduation. She was employed for a period of time by an insurance company in Grand Rapids, Michigan, but since her marriage is busy in her home.

WILLIAM JEFFERSON GOOD, JR.

34151. William Jefferson Good, Jr., oldest child of William and Jean Good, was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, May 27, 1934.

MARY ANN GOOD

34152. Mary Ann Good, first daughter of William and Jean Good, was born at Hammond, Indiana, on June 25, 1936.

JOAN GOOD

34153. Joan Good, daughter of William and Jean Good, was born on September 9, 1937, in Hammond, Indiana.

ROBERT LE MOYNE GOOD

3416. Robert LeMoyne Good, youngest child of Alvin and Alice Good, was born at Knox, Indiana, on May 5, 1917. He graduated from the Knox High School after which he worked in Chicago for three and a half years, staying with his sister Fern part of the time. On June 6, 1940, he was married to Marjorie Wilhelm of Argos, Indiana, the ceremony being performed in the M. E. Church parsonage in Knox. Since then Robert, or "Bob" as he is called, has been working with his brother Vance in a gas service station in Knox.

MARJORIE (WILHELM) GOOD

(3416) Marjorie (Wilhelm) Good, wife of Robert Good, was born to George and Edith (Guise) Wilhelm on April 11, 1917, at Culver, Indiana. She was graduated from the Argos, Indiana, High School and has been employed in the garment factory in Knox doing sewing and also at the Kingsbury Ordnance Plant, Kingsbury, Indiana.

EMMA CATHERINE (GOOD) CASPER

342. Emma Catherine (Good) Casper was born in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on August 18, 1870. She was the

second child of William and Mary Good. When time came to start to school they lived near Marmont, now Culver, so it was here that her schooling was begun. Later she attended grade schools at Pulaski and near Star City, Indiana. As a young woman she helped swell the family budget by doing housework in different homes, working in Chicago for two years.

On February 27, 1893, she was married to William Casper at Knox by Rev. Tinkham. They started housekeeping on a farm near Remington, Indiana, then in a short time moved to Starke County where Will had a forty acre farm. Six children were born into this home but it was saddened by the death of three of them while they were still babes; namely, Mary, Ivan and Roy, and also Orvie at the age of thirty-one years.

In 1906 they moved to South Bend, Indiana, where they lived until 1930 when they moved to Knox. Here her husband died in 1933. Since then Emma has made her home mainly with her children, Edna and Alvin. She and her husband both were members of the Zion Reformed Church near Culver until they went to South Bend when they transferred their membership to the M. E. Church. Emma has always been very conscientious in doing her part to help carry the burdens and responsibilities of the family and is deeply interested in her children.

WILLIAM HENRY CASPER

(342) William Henry Casper, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Lush) Casper, was born in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on March 18, 1867. He attended the country schools of the township and when old enough worked for the neighbors at farming and digging ditches to lay tiles for draining the marsh lands.

On February 27, 1893, he married Emma Good and went to farming. In addition to farming, Will bought a dredging machine to make large ditches for drainage. His machine was the first to be used in that part of the country. Later he also operated dredging machines in Missouri and Arkansas. After doing this work he took up carpentry which he followed as long as he was able to work. He died very suddenly of heart failure at the home of a niece, Mrs. Frank Cox, near Plymouth, Indiana, on October 12, 1933, with burial in Zion Cemetery near Culver, Indiana.

MARY CATHERINE CASPER

3421. Mary Catherine Casper, first child of William and Emma Casper, was born January 14, 1894, and died September 16, 1894. This little flower was plucked before it had seen any of the storms of life.

IVAN WILLIAM CASPER

3422. Ivan William Casper was born in Starke County, August 22, 1895, and died on March 17, 1897.

ORVIE ADAM CASPER

3423. Orvie Adam Casper, son of William and Emma Casper, was born in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana, on August 6, 1898. When he was eight years of age, they moved to South Bend, Indiana, where his schooling in common and high schools was received. On June 3, 1920, he married Fern Mae Holbrook of Chicago, Illinois, where they lived for some time. Later they moved to South Bend, Indiana. Here he purchased a large truck and made the livelihood by moving household goods and hauling freight.

Two daughters, Virginia and Jean, came into this home to make it happy. Orvie was not well for a long time and finally in the spring of 1928 he had to give up his work on account of his health. He had



Clasp of beads Grandma Wolfram had as a girl in Austria.



Earrings brought from Austria.



Earring of Anna Wolfram-Stahl.

been stricken with tuberculosis and on January 12, 1929, he was called Home. Funeral was held at the Zion Church near Culver and burial in the Zion Cemetery.

FERN MAE (HOLBROOK) CASPER

(3423) Fern Mae (Holbrook) Casper was born in Glenwood, Illinois, on March 5, 1894. She attended high school and business college in Chicago and became the wife of Orvie Casper in June, 1920. Much of the time since her marriage she has worked in offices as a stenographer and doing general office work. About a year after Orvie's death she married Mr. Frank Marsh of South Bend.

VIRGINIA LUCILE (CASPER) HOBKIRK

34231. Virginia Lucile (Casper) Hobkirk, first child of Orvie and Fern Casper, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on March 24, 1921. When she was small, the family moved to South Bend, Indiana, and here she attended school, being graduated from South Bend High School Commercial Department. She secured work in an office in the city and a little later, also assumed the responsibilities of a home, being married on January 25, 1941, to Donald Hobkirk of South Bend. This lovely wedding was solemnized in the Lowell Heights M. E. Church in South Bend.

DONALD EVERETT HOBKIRK

(34231) Donald Everett Hobkirk, husband of Virginia Hobkirk, was born at Kenny, Illinois, on November 18, 1919. He was graduated from Central High School of South Bend. At present he is a truck driver for General Outdoor Advertising Company in South Bend, Indiana.

JEAN MARIE CASPER

34232. Jean Marie Casper was born May 3, 1926, in South Bend, Indiana, the second child of Orvie and Fern Casper. She is now attending high school in that city and living at home.

ROY SYLVESTER CASPER

3424. Roy Sylvester Casper was born October 23, 1901, the son of William and Emma Casper, and died November 2, 1901, being permitted to live only eleven days.

EDNA LUCILE (CASPER) TOMLINSON

3425. Edna Lucile (Casper) Tomlinson was born on February 27, 1903, in Starke County, Indiana, the fifth child of William and Emma Casper. When about three years old the family moved to South Bend where she went to school, being graduated from the South Bend High School and the South Bend Business College.

She worked in offices for eight years and on August 6, 1930, was married to Harold Tomlinson of Niles, Michigan. They have one

daughter, Catherine, and have made their home in Niles since their marriage.

HAROLD HUFF TOMLINSON

(3425) Harold Huff Tomlinson, the only child of Alton M. and Rachel (Huff) Tomlinson, was born March 23, 1901, near Buchanan, Michigan. His parents lived on a farm until about 1912, then moved to Niles. They also lived in California for about two years and worked in the orange groves. He received his schooling in Niles rural and city schools and was married to Edna Casper on August 6, 1930, in South Bend, Indiana.

Since 1927 Harold has been operating a garage and has been very successful in his work.

CATHERINE JANE TOMLINSON

34251. Catherine Jane Tomlinson was born to Harold and Edna Tomlinson in Niles, Michigan, on March 7, 1934, and is living with her parents.

ALVIN FREDERICK CASPER

3426. Alvin Frederick Casper, youngest child of William and Emma Casper, was born August 4, 1906, in South Bend, Indiana. He attended the schools there, graduating from high school. Alvin worked with his brother Orvie in the trucking business until Orvie's death. Since then he has worked with the Northern Indiana Light and Power Company and at present is a lineman.

On April 21, 1928, he was married to Deborah Bowie of Wheatfield, Indiana, and they have lived in South Bend since that time. They have been blessed with three husky boys, Bob, Jerry and Billy, who look as though they might follow in their father's footsteps as to size, he being a tall and well-built man.

They are members of the United Brethren Faith and have been active in helping to build a new church near their home.

DEBORAH (BOWIE) CASPER

(3426) Deborah (Bowie) Casper was born the daughter of John and Agnes (Fuller) Bowie on June 1, 1902, at Thayer, Indiana. She graduated from high school at Wheatfield, Indiana, where the family had moved. She married Alvin Casper in 1928 and went to housekeeping in South Bend, Indiana. "Debbie" has had three boys and is a very competent housewife and mother, the caring for her "four men" taking most of her time.

ROBERT JAMES CASPER

34261. Robert James Casper, who is the first child of Alvin and Deborah Casper, was born in South Bend, Indiana, on June 4, 1929. He is attending school now and is known as Bobby. He has recently recovered from an appendectomy.

GERALD ALLEN CASPER

34262. Gerald Allen Casper, called "Jerry," the second son of Alvin and Deborah Casper, was born in South Bend, Indiana, on July 26, 1932.

WILLIAM HENRY CASPER

34263. William Henry Casper, son of Alvin and Deborah Casper, was also born in South Bend, Indiana, on March 7, 1934. "Billy" has been named for his Grandfather Casper and we hope he will grow up to be as good a man as Grandfather was.

ANNA JANE (GOOD) KALEY

343. Anna Jane (Good) Kaley was born near Marmont (now Culver), Indiana, on September 12, 1874, the third child of William and Mary Good. Anna attended the country schools of Pulaski and Starke Counties, and later did housework. She was employed for some time in Chicago, Illinois, and Logansport, Indiana.

She was married to John W. Kaley on June 18, 1895, and they immediately went to their home on the east bank of Bass Lake in Starke County, where he and his brother Samuel were operating a meat market. Later they added groceries and here Anna helped in the store as well as keeping house for the family and often some help. Their pleasant home on the water's edge of the lake has been a great source of pleasure to the family and many friends with whom they have generously shared it all through the years. The latch string of the Kaley home is always out.

For years she and her husband have been members and ardent workers and leaders in the Antioch Pilgrim Holiness Church and many visiting ministers and evangelists have made this home their headquarters. In August, 1939, the family was shocked by the sudden death of the father, but Anna has kept up the home with the help of the children who return frequently.

JOHN WESLEY KALEY

(343) John Wesley Kaley, husband of Anna Kaley and son of Reuben and Eliza (Ulery) Kaley, was born near Marmont, Indiana, February 25, 1866. He lived in the Zion Church neighborhood and attended school and church there as a child and helped his father on their farm.

At the time of his marriage to Anna Good he and his brother Samuel were operating a meat market at Bass Lake, Indiana, and a few years later added groceries. For a number of years they had a thriving business among the summer cottagers around the lake and he continued in this work until about 1932. After this he engaged in real estate, selling and renting cottages and farms. He had failing health for about a year and on August 15, 1939, he was suddenly smitten and lived only about three hours. Burial was at Zion.

LILA WINONA KALEY

3431. Lila Winona Kaley was born at Bass Lake, Starke County, Indiana, on March 19, 1896, the oldest child of John and Anna Kaley.

She attended grade school near her home and high school at North Bend High School in Starke County. She began her normal work at Valparaiso College and was graduated from Ball State Teachers College with a B.S. degree in 1938. She has been very successful as a public school teacher, having done most of her work in the grade schools of South Bend, Indiana. Since her father's death she is also carrying on his work, that of the real estate business. She is somewhat of a traveler and has taken several nice trips over the country.

BEULAH LEONA (KALEY) MAUCK

3432. Beulah Leona (Kaley) Mauck was born at Bass Lake, Indiana, on August 15, 1898, to John and Anna Kaley. When she was a child Beulah had the misfortune of being badly burned about the face and hands when fire from the stove in the store caught her clothes.

She received her grade and high school work in Starke County, then attended the McDowell Dress Making School in Chicago from which she was graduated. She did sewing for several years in different places in the city and has for the past twenty years had charge of the alteration department of the Kerman Store, one of Chicago's large stores of ladies' apparel. On May 23, 1936, she was married to Russell Mauck of Chicago, where they have since resided.

RUSSELL MAUCK

(3432) Russell Mauck was born in Owensville, Indiana, on February 13, 1892, the son of Frank and Corinne (Montgomery) Mauck. He attended grade and high school at Owensville and when about twenty years of age the family moved to Chicago. He married Adele Muehl who died on December 9, 1932, leaving her husband and two children, Warren Russell and Muriel Adele. He married Beulah Kaley on May 23, 1936, in Chicago and is employed in the Maintenance Department of the Chicago Park District. Russell's World War record will be found in Chapter VI.

ELVIN FOREST KALEY

3433. Elvin Forest Kaley, only son of John and Anna Kaley, was born at Bass Lake, Indiana, on December 9, 1909. He attended common school and three years of high school at North Bend, taking the fourth year at Culver where he was graduated. He then went to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he was graduated from the Anthony Wayne College of Commerce, later taking additional work at Northwestern University, Chicago, and at Marquette and Wisconsin Universities.

He married Maxine Fletcher of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on November 2, 1938, in his home at Bass Lake. They have one daughter, Sue Ann. Elvin is employed as a salesman in charge of the local branch

of the Burton Dixie Corporation in Milwaukee, where they are active members of the Nazarine Church. When Elvin was a little fellow he was round and chubby. Now he is no longer little, but is still "chubby." When in school Elvin was interested in music, and for some time studied piano in which he did very well, thus affording pleasure to his friends as well as to himself.

MAXINE DONNA (FLETCHER) KALEY

(3433) Maxine Donna (Fletcher) Kaley was born in Dayton, Ohio, on October 13, 1911. Her parents are Donald Alvin and Opal Joy (Clippinger) Fletcher. She was graduated from high school and took two years work in Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio. The family moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and here she worked for some time in the office of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company. On November 12, 1938, she married Elvin Kaley and since then they have lived in Milwaukee where their daughter was born.

SUE ANN KALEY

34331. Sue Ann Kaley was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on October 5, 1940, the child of Elvin and Maxine Kaley.

LUCILE IONE (KALEY) PIPER

3434. Lucile Ione (Kaley) Piper, youngest child of John and Anna Kaley, is also a native of Bass Lake, Indiana, having been born there on July 13, 1918. Her schooling was received near her home and the high school in Knox, where she was graduated. The next year she returned, doing some postgraduate work in commercial studies. She did some office work, chiefly in Knox, until she decided she would rather keep house and was married to Clem Piper on May 17, 1940, the wedding taking place in her home.

Her husband is a farmer, so they immediately moved on his father's farm one and one-half miles east of Bass Lake, where she is learning the many duties of the wife of a tiller of the soil, and seems to like it.

CLEM WORTH PIPER

(3434) Clem Worth Piper, husband of Lucile Piper, and son of Alpheus W. and Rena M. (Terry) Piper, was born August 26, 1913, in Fulton County, Indiana, near Rochester. He was graduated from the high school in Rochester. After graduation, he moved with his parents on a farm near Bass Lake and since his marriage to Lucile they have been operating this farm. This family is active in the work of the Antioch Pilgrim Holiness Church, Clem acting as Sunday School Superintendent.

CLARA LOUISA (GOOD) ENGLE

344. Clara Louisa (Good) Engle was the youngest child of William and Mary Good and was born July 3, 1876, in Marshall County, Indiana, near Marmont, now Culver. She secured the schooling offered

in the schools of the neighborhood in Starke County and was her mother's helper as the older girls worked away from home more than she. Especially was she busy when huckleberries were ripe, picking berries and patrolling the marsh with her faithful dog, Bounce, against trespassing pickers.

On February 9, 1898, she took unto herself a husband, Albert Engle, and they went to housekeeping on a farm in North Bend Township, Starke County. Six children were born into this home but only four grew to maturity. They farmed for some years and now live in Knox, Indiana, where they are active in the Free Methodist Church. Clara takes pride in her large fruit and vegetable garden and in helping her children.

ALBERT ENGLE

(344) Albert Engle, son of Jacob and Catherine (Diepple) Engle and husband of Clara Engle, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on June 20, 1877. When he was small, his family moved to Starke County, Indiana, near the Wolframs, and later to Fulton County. He became a farmer, but later in life took up the plumber's trade and is still engaged in that occupation in Knox, where he and his wife are living.

BESSIE CATHERINE ENGLE

3441. Bessie Catherine Engle was born in Starke County, Indiana, on August 7, 1899, to Albert and Clara Engle. She was not very strong at any time but was a sweet dispositioned and lovable child and along with her schooling, she learned to use a needle with which she liked to sew and make garments. In December, 1915, she suddenly became seriously ill and died on the 29th day of that month in her home in North Judson, Indiana.

CLARENCE ALLEN ENGLE

3442. Clarence Allen Engle, second child of Albert and Clara Engle, was born in Starke County, Indiana, on October 18, 1900. He was not permitted to remain here long with them for on September 14, 1901, he passed away.

OTTO WILLIAM ENGLE

3443. Otto William Engle, third child of Albert and Clara Engle, was born in Starke County, Indiana, September 19, 1904. He has been a farmer most of his life, having worked for some time in Hammond, Indiana, at the plumbing trade. On June 16, 1926, he was married to Evelyn Phillips and they have two children. At present he is farming a large farm west of Knox, Indiana.

EVELYN (PHILLIPS) ENGLE

(3443) Evelyn (Phillips) Engle, wife of Otto Engle, and daughter of Charles and Martha (Drews) Phillips, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on January 28, 1907. She attended high school, then worked as a

telephone operator in Chicago for some time. Since her marriage to Otto, she has lived most of the time on a farm, a good place to bring up their boy and girl.

CHARLES LEVERN ENGLE

34431. Charles Engle, first child of Otto and Evelyn Engle, was born in Starke County, Indiana, on March 20, 1927. He attends school and helps his father on the farm.

BETTY JEAN ENGLE

34432. Betty Jean Engle, daughter of Otto and Evelyn Engle, was born west of Knox, Indiana, on December 3, 1941.

MARY MAGDALENA (ENGLE) COX

3444. Mary Magdalena (Engle) Cox was born in Starke County, Indiana, on September 20, 1907, daughter of Albert and Clara Engle. She attended school in the community, and high school in Knox. Before her marriage to Frank D. Cox on January 16, 1929, Mary worked in a laundry for two years and helped her mother at home. She has lived most of her married life on farms near Plymouth and has two children. In spite of Mary's rather poor health much of the time, she has carried on with her family. They are members of the First M. E. Church of Plymouth.

FRANK D. COX

(3444) Frank D. Cox, husband of Mary Cox, was born December 17, 1891, near Plymouth, Indiana, the son of George S. and Eva Melissa (Bell) Cox. He went to the school near his home and has always been a farmer.

CARROL FRANK COX

34441. Carrol Frank Cox was born at Knox, Indiana, on January 16, 1930, the oldest child of Frank and Mary Cox. He lives with his parents and goes to the Plymouth school.

MARYELLEN CLARA COX

34442. Maryellen Clara Cox, daughter of Frank and Mary Cox, was born near Plymouth, Indiana, on July 26, 1931, and attends school at Plymouth.

IDA OPAL (ENGLE) KLAMPE

3445. Ida Opal (Engle) Klampe was born in Starke County, Indiana, February 4, 1910, to Albert and Clara Engle. She was graduated from the Knox High School and from the South Bend Business College, South Bend, Indiana. Since then she has done office work, mostly for county officers in the court house at Knox. On May 29, 1934, she was married to John Franz Klampe and she is kept busy keeping house and working in the office. They attend the M. E.

Church in Knox, where they reside in the home they built a few years ago.

JOHN FRANZ KLAMPE

(3445) John Franz Klampe, husband of Ida Klampe and son of George B. and Eurette (Pell) Klampe, was born May 29, 1904, in Sibley, Iowa. His parents moved to several different states and Canada and he was graduated from the high school at Winamac, Indiana. He is a carpenter by trade, but for some time was chief of police in Knox and at present has charge of the city water works.

LELAH EDNA (ENGLE) KLAMPE

3446. Lelah Edna (Engle) Klampe, youngest daughter of Albert and Clara Engle, was born in Starke County, Indiana, on December 15, 1912. She was graduated from the Knox, Indiana, High School and helped her mother at home. On July 22, 1934, she was married to George B. Klampe, Jr., and they with their two daughters live on a farm southwest of Knox where they are doing their part in raising food for Americans. Her family is active in the Baptist church near their home. Lelah and Ida liked the Klampe family, for they married brothers.

GEORGE B. KLAMPE, JR.

(3446) George B. Klampe, Jr., husband of Lelah Klampe and son of George and Eurette (Pell) Klampe, was born in Winnipeg, Canada, September 18, 1910. He was graduated from high school at North Judson, Indiana, and has always been a farmer and a carpenter.

LA VONNA FAITH KLAMPE

34461. LaVonna Faith Klampe, oldest child of George and Lelah Klampe, was born at Knox, Indiana, on November 26, 1935.

LA THORA HOPE KLAMPE

34462. LaThora Hope Klampe was born at Knox, Indiana, on July 16, 1937, the daughter of George and Lelah Klampe.

ANNA CATHERINE (WOLFRAM) STAHL

(Written by her daughter, Osie Stahl)

35. Anna Catherine (Wolfram) Stahl was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on July 15, 1849, daughter of Simon and Margaretha Wolfram. Anna did not remember anything of her native country, for she was only three years of age when they left it for America.

When only a few days old the babies were taken to the church to be baptized. I still have in my possession the large pillow slip on which my mother was carried and the small one for her head, which are trimmed with embroidery and lace and also the little lace hood she wore for the occasion. I also have her Godmother Letter or "Patent-brief" given by her godmother and cousin, Anna Catherine Remp. Anna Catherine was affectionately nicknamed "Anstena" (probably to distinguish her from her cousin who lived in the same house in Asch) by which name she was known most of her life.

After several years of schooling in Ohio, she attended the country schools of Indiana, one of which was on the west shore of Langenbaum Lake, near Monterey. It had been a barn and had no desks or blackboard. She went to Knox two winters in order to have a better school, working for her room and board. Anstena then taught two summer terms, "boarding around" with the pupils to supplement the meager salary she received.

As a girl she did her part in the strenuous life of the pioneers. She told us that more than once she carried two large pails of huckleberries the five miles to Marmont (now Culver) and sold them for a few cents a quart, returning home with groceries.

On January 1, 1871, she was married to Lewis Frederick Stahl. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jesse Schlosser, pastor of Zion Reformed Church, in her home after the Sunday morning church service which they had attended. They established their first home on a farm two and a half miles south of Marmont, and a few years later bought eighty acres one mile southwest of town. Here they reared the six children who grew to maturity, three daughters having died in childhood. Theirs was a Christian home and together they helped in the work of the church and the good things of the community, and made many sacrifices that their children might enjoy better education and opportunities than they had.

In 1906, two years after father's death, mother sold the farm and purchased a home in Culver, where she spent the remaining years of her life. Having had several severe illnesses, which left her rather frail, she was sympathetic toward others and being apt in the care of the sick, frequently went into homes as a practical nurse. She was a lover of the out-of-doors and always enjoyed working in her vegetables and flowers.

After several years of declining health, mother slipped away on March 13, 1933, at her home. Funeral services were held in Grace Reformed Church in Culver with interment in Zion Cemetery.

LEWIS FREDERICK STAHL

(35) Lewis Frederick Stahl, known as "Fred," oldest child of Jacob Frederick and Christiana (Gehring) Stahl, was born in Gechingen, Wurtemberg, Germany, on the 28th day of April, 1845. He was seven years old when the family emigrated to America. On the sailing vessel crossing the Atlantic, a sailor gave Fred a New Testament because he read so well. This old book is still in the family. His education was begun in Germany and continued in the country schools in the communities in Ohio and Indiana in which the family lived. He liked to read, and throughout his life added to his education through books and newspapers.

Fred followed the occupation of his father, that of farmer, and one spring he attracted considerable attention in the community by taking a trip "out west" as the Illinois prairies were then called, to work on a farm. He helped his father clear the land in establishing their pioneer home. This meant sawing and chopping down trees, rolling logs, burning brush, grubbing out stumps and underbrush, hoeing, ploughing, harvesting wheat with a cradle, and kindred things.

After his marriage to Anna Catherine Wolfram, he continued to farm, but now for himself on his own land. He was greatly interested in the church, being among the early members of the Zion Reformed Congregation. He donated time and labor to help build the church and served in various offices in it and the Sunday school. Later, because of convenience, the family transferred their membership to Grace Church in Culver where he continued in church work. He was interested in the affairs of the community, and held the office of justice of the peace for some years. Having had several years of failing health, he died on June 8, 1904, and was buried in the Zion Cemetery.

IDA SOPHIA STAHL

351. Ida Sophia Stahl, oldest child of Anna and Fred Stahl, was born February 1, 1872, and died at the age of eight years on April 12, 1880. In life she seemed mature beyond her years and her sweet disposition endeared her to everyone who knew her.

ALBERT FREDERICK STAHL

352. Albert Frederick Stahl, son of Fred and Anna C. Stahl, was born April 6, 1873, near Culver, Indiana, and attended the common schools there. Being the oldest boy, he helped on the farm until he was grown. As a youngster, he was always wanting to drive nails and saw boards, which led him to learn the carpenter trade and this has been his chief occupation.

On February 27, 1902, he was married to Amelia Joanna Romig and they began housekeeping on a farm two miles south of Culver. After several years, he bought half interest in a grocery store in Culver, first with his brother, Henry, and then with his brother-in-law, Frank Easterday. This he continued for about two years at which time they moved to Culver. However, he was not content at this

and returned to his chosen work. In this he was successful, having built many of the better homes and buildings in Culver and cottages at the Culver Military Academy and around the lake. He has been active in the Reformed church, first at Zion, then in Culver. For many years he had pleasure from using his scroll saw, with which he made a number of beautiful bric-a-brac pieces.

AMELIA JOANNA (ROMIG) STAHL

(352) Amelia Joanna (Romig) Stahl, daughter of Henry and Sarah Jane (Cromley) Romig, was born on May 29, 1875, in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana. "Josie," as she has always been called, received the education offered in the school of the community and at home learned the art of good housekeeping. In this she continued by helping neighbors in their homes.

On February 27, 1902, she was married to Albert F. Stahl, in her home, by Rev. S. E. Klopfenstein, pastor of the Reformed Church, and has proven to be an efficient housewife. She is fond of children and has taught a class of little tots in the Reformed Sunday School for a number of years.

CHRISTIANA MARGARET STAHL

353. Christiana Margaret Stahl, daughter of Fred and Anna Stahl, was born March 5, 1875, and died March 21, 1875, living only sixteen days.

HENRY SIMON STAHL

354. Henry Simon Stahl, son of Fred and Anna C. Stahl, was born February 3, 1877, near Culver, Indiana. He attended the common school, later entering Valparaiso College in Valparaiso, Indiana, from which he was graduated from the Commercial Department. In 1898, Henry enlisted in the Spanish American War. See Chapter VI. For a few years he worked for a tank company, which took him into the south and west. Later he again went west, this time to Butte, Montana. Here he was married to Catherine Stodden, on November 22, 1909. This was a double wedding in the Methodist church, her brother being married at the same time.

They started housekeeping near Billings, Montana, later procuring a ranch eleven miles from Laurel. Here they had experiences with extreme weather conditions, crop failures and grasshoppers, from which we in the central states have escaped. Four children were born into this home, where the parents upheld the Christian principles that had been taught to them. They were members of the Methodist church in Laurel. On August 10, 1931, after a brief illness, Henry passed away in the Billings hospital, and was interred in the soldiers' plot in the cemetery at Billings.

CATHERINE (STODDEN) STAHL

(354) Catherine (Stodden) Stahl, "Katie," daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (James) Stodden, was born in Redruth, Cornwall,

England, April 1, 1885. She attended school in England and later in Butte, Montana, where her family had emigrated when she was a child. They remained in America several years, then returned to their native land for some time. They decided to make the United States their permanent home and returned to Butte, Montana, where her father was a stationary engineer in the mines, when Katie was about fourteen years of age.

As a young woman she worked as sales lady in a store until her marriage to Henry S. Stahl in 1909. After the death of her husband, Katie tried to carry on at the ranch but it was too much, so she built a little home in Billings where she has kept her family together. Katie has always gotten a great deal of joy from singing and has a pleasing voice.

LOUIS HENRY STAHL

3541. Louis Henry Stahl, oldest child of Henry and Katie Stahl, was born near Billings, Montana, on August 16, 1910. He attended school in the community, graduated from the high school in Laurel, Montana, and later received his A.B. degree from the Intermountain Union College in Billings. As a boy, he helped on the ranch and after getting his degree, taught in high school at Hoagland, Montana. At present he is employed at Fort Peck, Montana, in the engineering department. He has always loved the out-of-doors and been especially interested in horses.

CATHERINE BESSIE (STAHL) RICKETTS

3542. Catherine Bessie (Stahl) Ricketts was born near Billings, Montana, March 24, 1912, the oldest daughter of Henry and Katie Stahl. She was graduated from the Laurel, Montana, High School and the two year course of the Eastern Montana State Normal School in Billings, preparing herself for teaching. However, she decided on housekeeping rather than teaching school and was married to John R. Ricketts on March 10, 1934, at Hardin, Montana, by Rev. E. W. Wendland, pastor of the M. E. Church. They lived in Billings until purchasing a small ranch near that city where they do truck farming by irrigation.

JOHN ROUND RICKETTS

(3542) John Round Ricketts, husband of Catherine Ricketts and son of John R. and Mabel (Morrell) Ricketts, was born on September 14, 1909, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. His family went to Billings, Montana, where he was graduated from high school. He has been an auto body worker and welder, and at present is farming on their small ranch.

HELEN MINNIE STAHL

3543. Helen Minnie Stahl, daughter of Henry and Katie Stahl, was born at Laurel, Montana, on December 29, 1922. She attended school in the country, also in Billings and graduated from the Hoagland, Montana, High School. During the past year she was a student in the Intermountain Union College in Billings. On August 10, 1942,

she was united in marriage to Carol Clarence Kirby at Lewiston, Montana. The ceremony was performed at the Methodist church parsonage by the Rev. W. S. Tranerk.

CAROL CLARENCE KIRBY

(3543) Carol Clarence Kirby, husband of Helen Kirby, and youngest child of Clarence Eli and Mabel (Satorious) Kirby, was born at Rolla, North Dakota, on March 18, 1922. He received his grade and high school training in Rolla and attended the Presbyterian church there. He married Helen Stahl on August 10, 1942, at Lewistown, Montana.

IDA MAY STAHL

3544. Ida May Stahl, youngest child of Henry and Katie Stahl, was born in Laurel, Montana, on May 19, 1925. She is a Junior in the Billings High School and is living with her mother there.

OTTO JACOB STAHL

355. Otto Jacob Stahl, youngest son of Fred and Anna Stahl, was born near Culver, Indiana, December 20, 1880. He was a member of the first graduating class of the Culver High School. As a small boy, he was interested in music, and early began taking lessons on the organ, soon changing to the piano; then he taught in his home community. After further study in piano and voice, he became teacher of piano in Greensboro College for Women in Greensboro, North Carolina. Later he entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, graduated from the School of Music of that institution and was retained as a regular member of the teaching staff. He continued studying and earned the degrees of B.A. and M.A. from the College of Literature, Science and the Arts of the University of Michigan. Sunday mornings found him playing the organ in church for a long time.

During a leave of absence from the University in 1922, he spent fourteen months in travel and study in Europe, studying music in Germany and France. While abroad, he visited the ancestral homes of both his father and mother. At present, he is professor of Theory of Music and secretary of the School of Music of the University of Michigan. His special interests are art, travel and friends—of whom he has many. Recently, he spent three months traveling in Old Mexico.

EDNA CATHERINE STAHL

356. Edna Catherine Stahl was born near Culver, Indiana, on October 15, 1882, the daughter of Fred and Anna Stahl. She attended school at Culver, graduating from the high school. She chose teaching as a profession and in preparation for that she took summer courses at Valparaiso College, Valparaiso, Indiana, Madam Blaker's School, now Teachers' College, Indianapolis, and Ball State Teachers' College at Muncie, Indiana. She taught mostly in the primary grades in Culver. In June, 1940, she retired after having taught for thirty-seven consecu-

tive years. Edna has a car and in the summer of 1940 she, with her sisters Clara and Osie, took a four month trip through the west, seeing the Canadian Rockies, entire west coast, going into Mexico and through the southwest, traveling over 13,000 miles.

All through the years she has taken an active interest in the Reformed church and in various community organizations. She was one of the first members on the Culver Union Township Public Library Board, serving as its secretary for a number of years. Edna and Osie cared for their mother during her last years of ill health and since her death have kept the home in Culver intact.

CLARA REGINA STAHL

357. Clara Regina Stahl, fourth daughter of Fred and Anna Stahl, was born March 16, 1889, near Culver, Indiana. Graduating from the high school, she entered Greensboro College for Women, Greensboro, North Carolina. After completing the course, she worked for several years in the college office and in social settlement work at the cotton mills there. Later, she received her A.B. degree from the University of Michigan with Phi Beta Kappa honors. After this she held positions as assistant business manager of Bryn Mawr College, in a book shop in the Smith College Campus and bursar of the National Cathedral School, Washington, D. C. Completing the course of the Washington School of Accountancy, she transferred her chief interest from school offices to regular business channels, beginning work with a Chicago accountancy firm. Taking the Illinois state examination, she became a certified public accountant, and received a silver medal for high rating—the first woman ever to have received this honor.

For some years she had her residence at Hull House, the renowned social settlement founded by Miss Jane Addams. Clara considers it a rare privilege to have known Miss Addams and to have had some part in helping to carry on her beloved work. She is active in the women's work of the Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, and continues to work at her chosen profession. She has always been a great reader and student, having taken postgraduate work at Northwestern University in the School of Journalism and Law as well as in Commerce. She also likes to travel and has been in every state of the Union.

OSIE MARY STAHL

358. Osie Mary Stahl, one of a pair of twins, was born to Fred and Anna Stahl on August 27, 1890, near Culver, Indiana. She attended the public schools in Culver and spent one year at Greensboro, North Carolina, where she was employed in the office of Greensboro College for Women and took some work in music. While serving as clerk in the State Exchange Bank in Culver, Osie passed through the thrilling experience of the bank's first holdup, in which three of the robbers were captured, and one Culver man was killed. She has done office work at the Culver Military Academy for a number of years. For two years she served as Worthy Matron of the Culver Chapter of the

Order of the Eastern Star. She enjoys music and has taken voice lessons, making singing her hobby. She has sung in community choruses and the church, as has Edna also, and directed the church choir for a number of years. Willingly has she done her share in the work of the church.

At present, she is employed in the war effort by working in the office of the War Price and Rationing Board of the Kingsbury Ordnance Plant of La Porte, Indiana, rationing automobile tires to the workers.

GRACE MARTHA STAHL

359. Grace Martha Stahl, twin sister of Osie Mary, and daughter of Fred and Anna Stahl, was born near Culver, Indiana, August 27, 1890. She passed away on November 16, 1890, the earthly birthday only two months and twenty days before the heavenly one.

ALBERT C. WOLFRAM

Chiefly written by his daughter, Mae Bohl

36. Albert C. Wolfram was born on January 11, 1857, in Huron County, Ohio—the son of Simon John and Anna Margaretha Wolfram. Later they moved to Northbend Township, Starke County, Indiana, three miles north of Monterey.

Albert was confirmed in May, 1873, at Zion Reformed Church. At the same time he attended the little country school in the locality. He started working for his father on their farm, and later hired out to the neighbors. His farm experience included work on the prairies near Remington, Indiana.

Religion played an important part in Albert Wolfram's life. He was interested in all types of church work, especially in Sunday school classes. As a young man he would attend the regular morning church services at the Zion Reformed Church, and later in the day go out to one of the neighboring school houses for another service. Finally he began to teach Sunday school classes, and continued in the work until he had spent fifteen years as superintendent of the Monterey Sunday school. Debate was one of Albert's greatest hobbies, and he usually took a very active part. Along this same line, he thrived on spelling-bees, and many times he would walk three miles or more to participate in them as was the custom before the days of radios and other similar entertainment.

Some time during his younger days he adopted of his own will the middle initial "C" which stood for nothing but "C." It is not known whether he did this to avoid mistaken identity at school or if he just felt everyone should have a middle initial. When he was twenty-six years old Albert planned for a better education, enrolling at Valparaiso College at Valparaiso, Indiana, to study law and telegraphy. Following are some quotations from his diary of 1884:

"February 2, 1884—Monday, returning to Valparaiso. Walked to Knox (eighteen miles from the home farm) to take train to Valparaiso. Left home at 7:45 A.M. and arrived at Knox at 12:20 P.M. Took five o'clock train from Knox and arrived at Valparaiso at six o'clock." "March 8, 1884. Attended classes as usual and then went to Star Literary Society in college building. My roommates, R. R. Rambo, Wm. Schults and I." "March 21. Went to P. & Ft. W. Depot at 7:00 A.M., then to the post office. Received letter from William Good. Went to Grovertown. Arrived there at 11:25 and arrived at John Wolframs at 12:45. Visited Oregon school that afternoon. Katie Wolfram, teacher." "March 25, 1884. Received telegram from Solomon that father is very sick. Come home." "March 26th. Arrived at Monterey at 1:00 P.M." "April 1st went to Knox with Alexander Horner, John Drake and Merrit Horner. Met with the Board of Assessors at the auditor's office. Got the job of assessing our township. April 3. Began work. Assessed F. M. Boyer. Waited on father until 4:30 next morning." "June 1, 1884.

Sunday. Attended Sunday school at Zion Church at 9:00 A.M. and preaching at ten. Herman Uhl and his mother called and dined with us. Saturday, July 12. William Goods came at 8:00 P.M. William and I had a long conversation, until 2:00 A.M. next morning." "Sunday, October 26. Stayed home. Spent the day reading and wrote a letter to William Adler at Buffalo Grove, Iowa. November 8. Saturday. John Wolfram, Katie and Anna came at 6:00 P.M. Katie is teaching our school and stays with father and I." "December 31, 1884. Wednesday. Went to Merit Horners to practice spelling. Was introduced to Miss Wright. Katie and I saw 1884 pass by."

On December 29, 1887, Albert C. Wolfram and Miss Ella Wright were married at Plymouth, Indiana. Six children were born to this union. After Grandfather Simon Wolfram's death, Albert bought the old home farm and he farmed until September of 1902. During the winter he sold books and patent medicine. Perhaps this is where he picked up the nickname of "Doc" which he carried for many years. On September 1, 1902, he began to carry mail on route number one out of Monterey. Ella, his wife, was his substitute carrier. On December 3, 1903, he moved his family to Monterey. He carried mail more than twenty-one years, serving 3003 persons and traveling 162,000 miles. This was done with his mail wagon and his horses.

After retiring as mail carrier in 1924, Albert occupied himself with gardening and fruit raising during the summer, which left him some time to spend visiting with his children. He was the leading spirit in the move to improve the Zion Cemetery, sparing no time or effort, with Louis C. Zechiel and others, to raise a fund for that purpose and for the future maintenance of the same. He called together the first group of relatives, in 1917, from which developed the family reunion. Through his generosity and personal interest in people, his list of friends was long.

On September 30, 1932, while chopping wood on his woodpile at his home in Monterey, he was stricken with apoplexy, death occurring instantly. Burial was in the Zion Cemetery on the family lot.

ELLA MARTHA (WRIGHT) WOLFRAM

(36) Ella M. (Wright) Wolfram, daughter of William and Anna (West) Wright, was born near Knightstown, Henry County, Indiana, on November 3, 1863.

She received a common school education and at the age of thirteen united with the M. E. Church in Fort Wayne. When Ella was seventeen she moved with her family to North Bend Township about three miles north of Monterey. While living here she met one of the young men of a neighbor family; namely, Albert C. Wolfram, and on December 29, 1887, they were married at Plymouth, Indiana. On April 22, 1888, she transferred her church membership to the Zion Reformed Church.

She was religious, neighborly, loved music, was an excellent seamstress, and devoted to her family which she served well. In addi-

tion, she acted for fourteen years as substitute mail carrier for her husband. After a short illness of influenza, she passed away on February 10, 1920, at the home in Monterey, and was buried in Zion Cemetery.

LILA MAE (WOLFRAM) BOHL

361. Lila Mae (Wolfram) Bohl, oldest child of Albert and Ella Wolfram, was born near Monterey, Indiana, in Starke County, on March 14, 1889. She attended the common schools and early learned the trade of milliner in South Bend, Indiana. Mae worked for a number of years at this trade in Chicago and several other places, finally owning and operating a shop in Argos, Indiana, for four years. It was while working in Appleton, Wisconsin, that she met Charles Bohl, to whom she was married on April 26, 1916, at her home in Monterey. She has made her home in Appleton since that time.

Two sons came into this home, Ralph and Donald, and she has always held her family above all other things, seeing that they were well cared for, as she is an excellent cook and housekeeper. She was confirmed in Zion Reformed Church near Culver, on April 3, 1904, and when married she transferred her membership to her husband's church, the Lutheran, and the members of this family have been leaders in the church as well as in the community. Mae's unselfishness and cheery laugh have won her many friends.

CHARLES BOHL

(361) Charles Bohl, son of Frederick and Emelea (Winter) Bohl, was born at Center, Wisconsin, on February 12, 1887. He was confirmed in the Evangelical Lutheran Church on March 21, 1901, and has remained a faithful and active member since. As a young man he worked on the farm, in a creamery, and in 1913 purchased and opened a shoe store in Appleton, Wisconsin. This he has continued since that time in a very successful way; also having interest in another shoe store in a neighboring town. He has as hobbies gardening, golf and travel.

RALPH ORVILLE BOHL

3611. Ralph Orville Bohl, the oldest son of Charles and Mae Bohl, was born in Appleton, Wisconsin, on January 30, 1917. He was graduated from the Appleton High School and from Valparaiso University, which is now a Lutheran church school, with a B.S. degree in business and chemistry, in 1939. He is a member of the Kappa Iota Pi Fraternity. He is now assisting his father in the shoe store of Bohl and Maeser. He was married to Ruth Hamm of Granite City, Illinois, on June 21, 1942.

RUTH BEATRICE (HAMM) BOHL

(3611) Ruth Beatrice (Hamm) Bohl, wife of Ralph Bohl, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Malfred Hamm. She was born April 25, 1920, in St. Louis, Missouri, later moving with her parents to Granite City, Illinois. Her grade school was the Lutheran Parochial School,

followed by the Granite City Community High School. In May, 1942, Ruth was graduated from Valparaiso University, majoring in music and business. Commencement day and wedding day followed each other closely, for she was married on June 21. Her hobbies are knitting and reading.

DONALD ARTHUR BOHL

3612. Donald Arthur Bohl was born in Appleton, Wisconsin, on October 12, 1922, the second son of Charles and Mae Bohl. He also graduated from the Appleton High School and is now attending Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Indiana. His hobby is photography.

REA WILLIAM WOLFRAM

362. Rea William Wolfram is the second child of Albert and Ella Wolfram and was born near Monterey, Indiana, on June 12, 1890. He attended the common and high schools in Monterey and later was graduated from the Embalmers School in Indianapolis, Indiana. On May 17, 1922, he was married to Evelyn Robinson. He owned and operated the undertaking business from 1916 to 1926 in Monterey. Later he discontinued this work and became interested in the lumber business, which he is still pursuing in his home town of Walkerton, Indiana.

He is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and an outstanding citizen and leader in his business and community. He has two sons, Billy and Paul, who will do well to follow the sound business ability and judgment of their father. The family is active in the M. E. Church in Walkerton. Rea served in the World War, spending fourteen months in France in the Graves Registration Service. See his detailed war record in Chapter VI.

EVELYN (ROBINSON) WOLFRAM

(362) Evelyn (Robinson) Wolfram, wife of Rea Wolfram, and daughter of William and Phinetta Adele (Cragon) Robinson, was born in Fulton County, Indiana, on December 27, 1895. She graduated from the Leiters Ford, Indiana, High School in 1913 and from Indiana State Normal at Terre Haute, Indiana, in 1919. Evelyn followed teaching as a profession for eleven years. On May 17, 1922, she was married at Culver, Indiana, and since then has been an efficient home maker.

ALBERT WILLIAM WOLFRAM

3621. Albert William Wolfram, or "Billy," son of Rea and Evelyn Wolfram, was born at North Liberty, Indiana, on August 31, 1926, and lives with his parents at Walkerton, Indiana.

PAUL ROBINSON WOLFRAM

3622. Paul Robinson Wolfram was born in Walkerton, Indiana, on the 22nd day of November, 1929, the second son of Rea and Evelyn Wolfram.

CLAUDE MILTON WOLFRAM

363. Claude Milton Wolfram, son of Albert C. and Ella M. Wolfram, was born near Monterey, Indiana, on February 20, 1894. He attended schools at Monterey and Culver, graduating from the latter's high school. He decided that he wanted to be a teacher, so entered Tri-State College in Angola, Indiana, from which he received his A.B. degree in 1922. Later he took work at the University of Wisconsin where he received his A.M. degree in 1930 and has taken additional graduate work in Notre Dame and Indiana Universities. Claude taught several years in different places, then moved to South Bend, Indiana, where he secured a position in Riley High School in that city. He has continued there for a number of years and at present is the very popular sociology instructor of that school.

While teaching in Fulton County, he met a fellow teacher, Miss Ethel Leiter, in whom he became much interested and on May 17, 1920, they were married. In a little more than a year, they became the proud and happy parents of twin daughters, Betty and Jean. Claude spent eight months in the service of Uncle Sam in the First World War and his record will be found in Chapter VI. For a number of summers he has worked for Sears Roebuck & Company, in South Bend.

Reading and travel are his hobbies, he says, and the family has taken several trips west and southeast. The family are members of the M. E. Church in South Bend and active in its work. Claude is also a Scottish Rite Mason.

ETHEL ELLEN (LEITER) WOLFRAM

(363) Ethel Ellen (Leiter) Wolfram was born near Rochester, Fulton County, Indiana, on March 17, 1896, the daughter of Levi and Maude (Tanner) Leiter. She graduated from the Leiters Ford High School, had normal work at Indiana State Normal at Terre Haute, Indiana, and Madam Blaker's Teachers College in Indianapolis. She taught for six years in the primary grades in the Fulton County schools, three of which were in Rochester.

She married Claude Wolfram, the ceremony being performed in the Merritt Place M. E. Church parsonage, by Rev. Krof at Indianapolis. She has been a kind and self-sacrificing mother to her twin daughters.

MARY ELIZABETH WOLFRAM

3631. Mary Elizabeth Wolfram, "Betty" as she has always been known, is the daughter of Claude M. and Ethel Wolfram, and was born May 25, 1921, at Monterey, Indiana. She was one of a set of twins. Betty has lived most of her life in South Bend, Indiana, where she was graduated from the Riley High School. Following this she attended Ball State Teachers College for one year, taking a business course. She worked for some time in the credit department of Sears Roebuck & Company and is at present employed by the South Bend Lathe Company.

THELMA JEAN WOLFRAM

3632. Thelma Jean Wolfram, the other twin of Claude and Ethel Wolfram, was born May 25, 1921, at Monterey, Indiana. These twins are not so nearly identical as some twins are, as Jean is dark and Betty light complexioned. Jean, too, was graduated from Riley High School and in spite of not too robust health through the years, she decided on being a trained nurse for her life work. She has finished her training for this in Epworth Hospital in South Bend, where she graduated in June, 1942, and has since continued her work there.

OTTO DARWIN WOLFRAM

364. Otto Darwin Wolfram, third son of Albert and Ella Wolfram, was born near Monterey, Indiana, on January 17, 1896. His stay here was short, as he died of complications on August 15, 1897.

ADAH MARY (WOLFRAM) SMITH

365. Adah Mary (Wolfram) Smith, fifth child of Albert and Ella Wolfram, was born near Monterey, Indiana, on January 14, 1900. She attended the common and high schools of Monterey, graduating from that school, after which she took work at Indiana State Normal at Terre Haute and at Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana, in preparation for teaching. This she did very successfully in schools of the neighboring counties for five years.

On April 11, 1923, she was married in her home, to Cleon Smith, and one child, Robert, was born to them. They have lived in South Bend since their marriage and at present she is employed as office assistant to a physician.

CLEON HUGH SMITH

(365) Cleon Hugh Smith, son of Edwin and Utica (Showley) Smith, was born near Kewanna, Indiana, July 30, 1896. He attended common and high school in Kewanna and as a boy and young man helped his father on the farm. He married Adah Wolfram in 1923 and has lived in South Bend, Indiana, since that time, working for the Studebaker Corporation for some years. He is now employed by the American Railway Express Agency as a chauffeur.

ROBERT CLEON SMITH

3651. Robert Cleon Smith, only child of Cleon and Adah Smith, was born February 17, 1924, in South Bend, Indiana. Bobby was never very well and on October 10, 1931, he passed away, having taken pneumonia.

FAY OLEVA (WOLFRAM) ROBERTSON

366. Fay Oleva (Wolfram) Robertson, youngest child of Albert and Ella Wolfram, was born in Monterey, Indiana, on December 2, 1904. She attended school at Monterey, being graduated from that high school. Fay kept house for her father after the death of her mother

and was librarian in the Monterey Public Library for some time. On December 24, 1924, she was married in her home to Frederick Robertson, who had been a teacher in the Monterey High School. They lived in Monterey for three years, their first child, Deane, being born there.

In 1927 they moved to Ames, Iowa, where "Fred" secured a position teaching and here their two daughters were born. They are still in Ames, residing in their home which they recently built. Fay loved music and loved to sing, and has always been a very conscientious and devoted wife and mother. They are active members of the West Gate Collegiate Presbyterian Church of Ames.

FREDERICK LEON ROBERTSON

(366) Frederick Leon Robertson, husband of Fay Robertson, and son of Clarence C. and Mary Katherine (Cullen) Robertson, was born in Needmore, Indiana, on November 6, 1899. He was graduated from the Helmsburg High School, received his A.B. degree from Indiana University at Bloomington in 1923, his A.M. degree in 1927 and did additional graduate work at Indiana University and Chicago University. "Fred" taught in high schools in several towns in Illinois and Indiana, including Monterey and Culver, and in 1927 secured a position in Iowa State College in Ames, where he is still instructor in mathematics. He has published a book "Manual of Mathematics for Students of Agriculture" and a number of articles on mathematics. His hobby is fishing. See chapter VI for Fred's record in the World War.

DEANE ALBERT ROBERTSON

3661. Deane Albert Robertson was born at Monterey, Indiana, on May 14, 1926, the oldest child of Frederick and Fay Robertson. He is attending high school at Ames, Iowa, where they are living.

ELLAMAE ROBERTSON

3662. Ellamae Robertson, first daughter of Frederick and Fay Robertson, was born at Ames, Iowa, on October 23, 1930.

LOIS ANNE ROBERTSON

3663. Lois Anne Robertson was born in Ames, Iowa, on July 16, 1933, the daughter of Frederick and Fay Robertson.

SOLOMON WOLFRAM

37. Solomon Wolfram, youngest son of Simon and Margaret Wolfram, also the heavyweight of the family, was born June 27, 1859, in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana. He attended the Parker School in the woods near his home. Tales are still told about the mischievous pranks he played on the teacher and other pupils. He helped work on his father's farm and did ditching. On November 4, 1883, he was united in marriage to Hannah Jane Asper. Solomon's mother fixed his tie for him before he left for the wedding, which proved to be her last loving service for her boy. His mother having had very poor health, it was planned that the young couple should keep house for his parents; but before the honeymoon was over, they were hurriedly called home, as his mother's illness became acute, resulting in her sudden death.

After several years they bought a farm about a mile west of his father's place. Here they lived until he purchased the lumber yard in Monterey in 1901 where they made their final home. Solomon was very successful in his business venture, and was looked upon as one of Monterey's most influential and upright business men, being liked by everyone because of his genial and friendly disposition.

On February 4, 1910, he was stricken with apoplexy on the street in Monterey and died almost instantly. He was a member of the Zion Reformed Church and also belonged to the Knights of the Maccabees. Burial was in the Zion Cemetery.

There were two children in this home, George and Lucy. Some of us always remember Uncle Sol as limping when he walked. The story of his fractured hip is as follows: One day while driving to Monterey with Will Good the tongue of the big wagon broke when they were crossing the river bridge. This frightened the horses, who started to run away. When they were across the bridge the tongue struck the ground so forcibly that the wagon was thrown, and Sol with it. The result of this accident was a broken hip for Sol, which left him crippled for life. Will jumped from the wagon, thus escaping injury.

HANNA JANE (ASPER) WOLFRAM

(37) Hanna Jane (Asper) Wolfram was born March 31, 1862, near Culver, Indiana, one of five children. Her parents were Abraham and Mary (Benner) Asper. She was never privileged to know her father, as he gave his life for his country in the Civil War, dying before she was born. The mother lived only a few years longer, then Hanna Jane had her home with her Grandmother Benner. She was better known by the name "Jen."

Her education consisted of the public school training and learning to keep house in her home and that of the neighbors where she sometimes worked. After her marriage she proved to be a fine helpmate to her husband, and by her good management, frugality and hard work, assisted greatly in building up the family fortunes. She joined the Zion Reformed Church after marriage and remained a member until her death on September 29, 1915, with burial in the Zion Cemetery.

GEORGE CLEVELAND WOLFRAM

371. George Cleveland Wolfram, son of Solomon and Hanna Jane Wolfram, was born December 28, 1884, in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana. He attended the Horner School near his home, then went to the Culver High School one year. He worked at home on the farm and at picking huckleberries in the summer time, along with the rest of the family. Upon moving to Monterey, he assisted his father at the lumber yard, which business he took over after his father's death.

George was married to Rosa Lilly Vergin, and one child, Bernice Marie, was born to them. After only a few years, Rose passed away, and George, with his little girl, went back to his parents' home. He again took marriage vows when he was united with Ruth Elizabeth Brooke on August 26, 1911. After several years, he disposed of the lumber business and the family lived for a while on the old home farm, which was now theirs; then moved to South Bend, where George worked at Studebaker's. Later they returned, settling on their farm south of Monterey, where they now live.

ROSA LILLY (VERGIN) WOLFRAM

(371) Rosa Lilly (Vergin) Wolfram, wife of George Wolfram, was the daughter of August and Lavina (Werner) Vergin, and was born in La Porte County, Indiana, on January 27, 1887. The family moved near Ora, Indiana, where she attended public school. While living here, she and George were married. Her untimely death on September 12, 1908, in Monterey, broke up the home, leaving their child motherless. Rose was buried in the Monterey Cemetery.

BERNICE MARIE (WOLFRAM) SNYDER

3711. Bernice Marie (Wolfram) Snyder, daughter of George and Rose (Vergin) Wolfram, was born at Monterey, Indiana, August 22, 1907. When but one year old, she lost her mother by death. She then had a home with her grandparents, the Sol Wolframs and her Aunt Lucy, who took a mother's place for a number of years. She was also with her father for a while and her other grandparents, the Vergins, at Kouts, Indiana. Bernice attended the grade and high schools at Monterey and Kouts. For a time she took up restaurant work in Valparaiso, Indiana. On December 9, 1926, she was married to Alvin Snyder at Michigan City, Indiana, where they lived for a while. Later, they moved to South Bend, then on to a farm in Wisconsin near Menomonie, where they now reside. They attend the Baptist church.

ALVIN VERNON SNYDER

(3711) Alvin Vernon Snyder, husband of Bernice Snyder, was born April 19, 1901, in Rensselaer, Indiana, and is generally known by the name of "Pat." He received a common school education and has been quite a traveler, having visited all the states in the Union

except the New England States. His chief occupation has been that of farming in Indiana and Wisconsin with a little factory work also.

RUTH ELIZABETH (BROOKE) WOLFRAM

(371) Ruth Elizabeth (Brooke) Wolfram, second wife of George Wolfram, and daughter of Thomas and Lydia (Lee) Brooke, was born March 17, 1888, near Monterey, Indiana. At the age of five years, she was taken into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fell, who reared her as their own child. Lizzie, as she is called, attended the Monterey common and high schools, and was a South Bend Business College graduate. She was a stenographer at the Marbaugh Brothers Hardware Store in Monterey at the time of her marriage, which took place in St. Joe, Michigan. Eight children were born to her and George. She has met with patience and understanding the many problems that have come with the rearing of a large family.

DAVID JOHN WOLFRAM

3712. David John Wolfram, known best as D. J., first son of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born July 1, 1912, at Monterey, Indiana. He attended the grade and high school there. He was injured in a motorcycle accident while on the way to work one morning and as yet he has not fully recovered from it. He is a farmer, living with his parents.

RUTH MARGUERITE (WOLFRAM) REINHOLT

3713. Ruth Marguerite (Wolfram) Reinholt, daughter of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born at Monterey, Indiana, February 3, 1914. She is a graduate of the South Bend, Indiana, High School. She was a cashier in the Monterey bank when she was married to Thomas W. Reinholt, in April, 1938. They lived for a time in Hammond, Indiana, then moved to a farm south of Monterey.

THOMAS W. REINHOLT

(3713) Thomas W. Reinholt, husband of Marguerite Reinholt, and son of Frederick and Anna (Peters) Reinholt, was born at Monterey, Indiana, February 10, 1913. He has been a farmer, except for some time spent in the steel mills at Hammond, Indiana.

PATRICIA RUTH REINHOLT

37131. Patricia Ruth Reinholt, oldest child of Thomas and Marguerite Reinholt, was born at Hammond, Indiana, May 21, 1939.

JACQUELINE JEAN REINHOLT

37132. Jacqueline Jean Reinholt, daughter of Thomas and Marguerite Reinholt, was born at Monterey, Indiana, August 11, 1940.

KAY FRANCES REINHOLT

37133. Kay Frances Reinholt was born to Thomas and Marguerite Reinholt on September 2, 1941, at Monterey, Indiana.

ROSAMOND LUCILLE WOLFRAM

3714. Rosamond Lucille Wolfram, daughter of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born at Monterey, Indiana, July 8, 1915. She graduated from the South Bend, Indiana, High School at the age of fifteen and is also a graduate of the South Bend Business College. She was married to Lewis Gross, but later received a divorce. They had no children. She is at present employed by the Government at the new Studebaker Air Corporation in South Bend.

JUNE LAURAIN (WOLFRAM) MASTER

3715. June Laurain (Wolfram) Master, daughter of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born October 8, 1919, at Monterey, Indiana. She received the public school education, graduating from the South Bend High School. June was employed for a time at housework, then decided to work in her own home, for she married Karl E. Master, at Monterey.

KARL E. MASTER

(3715) Karl E. Master, husband of June Master, and son of Edward C. and Margaret Master, was born in September, 1919, at Monterey, Indiana. He is a carpenter and the family lives in Monterey.

KARL EDWARD MASTER, JR.

37151. Karl Edward Master, Jr., son of Karl and June Master, was born May 11, 1940, at Monterey, Indiana.

JUDITH LAURAIN MASTER

37152. Judith Laurain Master, second child of Karl and June Master, was born November 10, 1941, at Monterey, Indiana.

BETTY BROOKE (WOLFRAM) MANZUK

3716. Betty Brooke (Wolfram) Manzuk, daughter of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born December 6, 1924, at Monterey, Indiana. She has the regular public school education, and helped with tasks in the farm home until her marriage to Michael Manzuk in 1941. Monterey is their home.

MICHAEL MANZUK

(3716) Michael Manzuk, husband of Betty Manzuk, was born in 1920 in Pennsylvania, the son of Charles and Mary Manzuk, who are of Russian nationality.

CHARLES LEON WOLFRAM

3717. Charles Leon Wolfram, second son of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born in Monterey, Indiana, June 1, 1926. He is a student in the Monterey High School.

MAY LORRAINE WOLFRAM

3718. May Lorraine Wolfram, daughter of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born at Monterey on March 13, 1928.

CAROL DEAN WOLFRAM

3719. Carol Dean Wolfram, daughter of George and Ruth E. Wolfram, was born on January 6, 1932, at Monterey, Indiana.

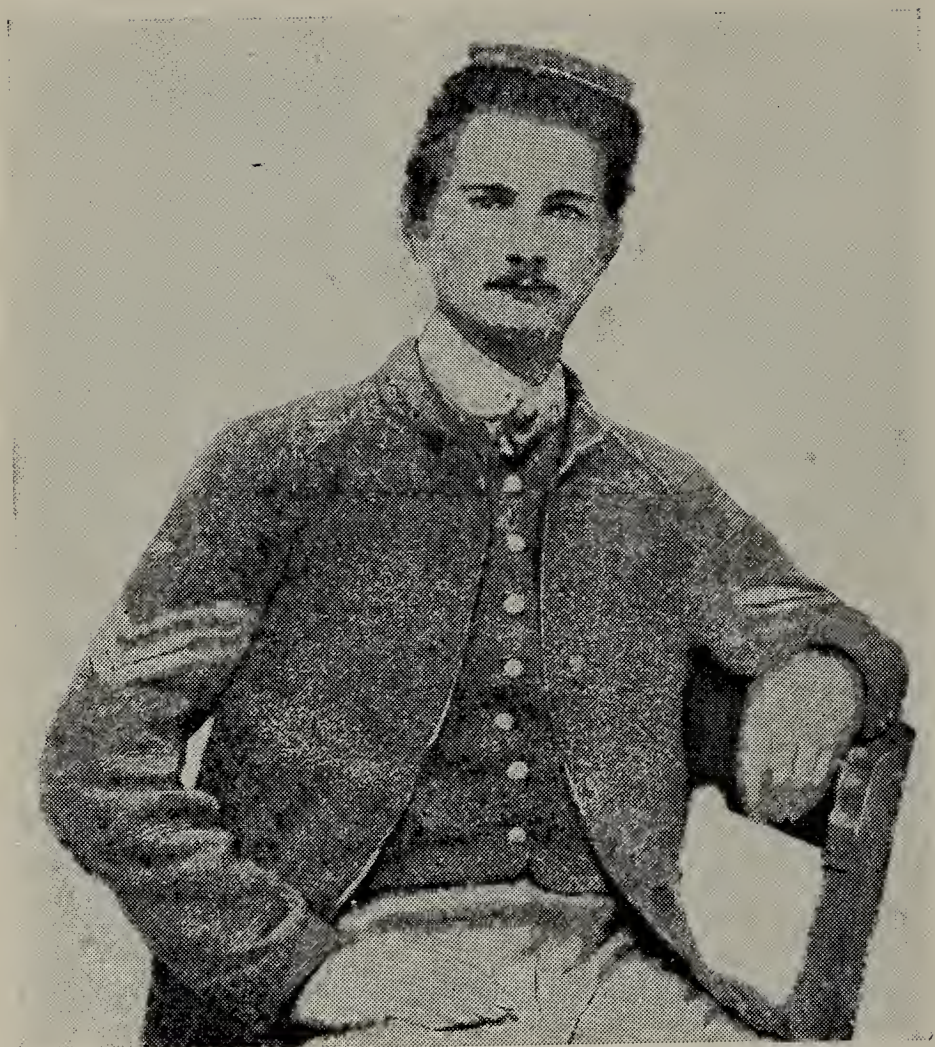
LUCY MAY (WOLFRAM) JOHNSON

372. Lucy May (Wolfram) Johnson, daughter of Solomon and Hannah Jane Wolfram, was born September 9, 1891, in North Bend Township, Starke County, Indiana. She attended the public schools in her community, and was a clerk in a store in Monterey for some time. Her life has been spent chiefly near and in Monterey except for five years in Texarkana, Texas.

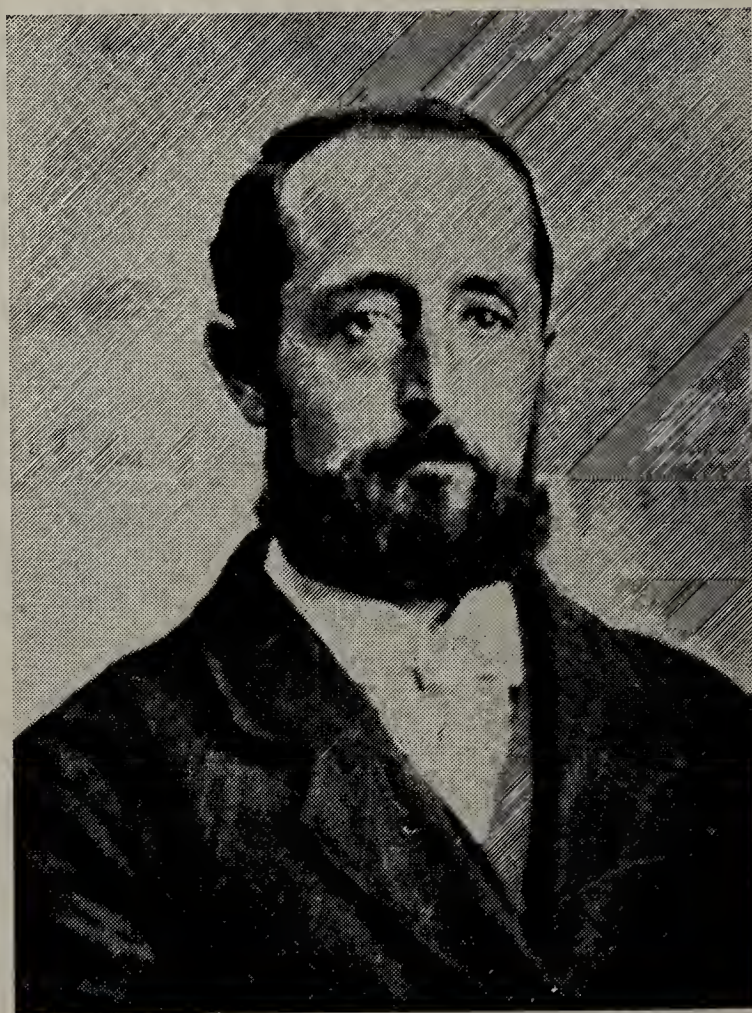
She was united in marriage with Orven Johnson. This couple has had the misfortune of losing two homes by fire. The first was the old Thinnis house, northwest of Monterey, burning completely to the ground in the dead of winter. Lucy's feet were so badly frozen that she had to walk on crutches for some time. On the same location they built a new house, partly from walnut taken from their farm. But after eleven years, this too caught fire at night and was entirely destroyed. In each case there was a total loss of contents. Although Lucy has had no children of her own, she, for a number of years, lovingly cared for her motherless niece, Bernice, providing a good home for her.

ORVEN JOHNSON

(372) Orven Johnson, husband of Lucy Johnson and son of William and Josephine (Reinholt) Johnson, was born at Monterey, Indiana, February 6, 1892. He attended school in Monterey, graduating from the high school. When the World War called, he entered the service. What with farming and working for Uncle Sam as a rural mail carrier, Orven finds plenty to keep him occupied. His chief recreation is attending American Legion conventions, of which the one in Paris, France, has been the highlight. See chapter VI.



George Uhl



Herman Uhl

SECTION IV

EVA CATHERINE (EGELKRAUT) UHL

4. Eva Catherine (Egelkraut) Uhl, daughter of John Christian and Gertraud (Sommerer) Egelkraut, their fourth child, was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, May 15, 1820.

Nothing in particular is known about her life in Asch except that she was married to John Uhl and that four children were born to them. Her husband's health failing, she was compelled to make a living for the family, which she did by dyeing yarns for the weavers. Upon his death, the entire task of raising the family was left to her. A big task this must have been, when we consider how hard it was even for a man to make a living for his family in those days.

Again, sorrow came into her life, when her little girl died. It must have taken a great deal of courage for her to make up her mind to emigrate to America—for that is what she did in 1854, when her youngest child, Herman, was seven years of age. They lived in Huron County, Ohio, from 1854 to 1857, then moved to Pulaski County, Indiana, probably following her sister's family, the Adlers. They bought a farm several miles southwest of Monterey, where they learned something about pioneer life—chopping down trees, grubbing, ditching, besides ordinary farm and home work.

This mother experienced heartbreak again when two of her sons became soldiers in the Civil War, one of them, John, never to return. How tragic that these people, who left their homeland, partially to escape the distress of almost constant uprisings and wars in Europe, should be called upon so soon to give their sons, even to the supreme sacrifice of life, to the cause of freedom in their adopted country. You will note that three of the Egelkraut sisters, Margaret Wolfram, Eva Uhl and Mary Adler, all gave sons for the American Army, in the Civil War.

In 1876 Eva took marriage vows again when she was married to Henry Crites on August 1st. This husband also passed away before her death. These dates are not known, neither is it known when she married Peter Trumbater.

She was a hard-working woman, was particular and very neat as a housekeeper. Necessity compelled her to be frugal and saving, which resulted in her having enough for a comfortable living in her old age. She died in her home near Monterey on November 6, 1901, at the age of 81 years, 5 months and 21 days, with interment in the Monterey Cemetery.

JOHN UHL

(4) John Uhl, husband of Eva (Egelkraut) Uhl, was born in Asch, Austria. He passed away there after a long period of ill health, but no dates are known concerning him. He was the father of one daughter whose name is unknown, and three sons, George, John and Herman.

UHL DAUGHTER

41. Daughter of John and Eva Uhl, name not known, was born in Asch, Austria, and died when a child.

JOHN UHL, JR.

42. John Uhl, Jr., son of John and Eva Uhl, was born in Asch, Austria, date unknown. After coming to America he helped his parents on the farm. When the Civil War came, he entered the army, but died in a camp, never having seen active service.

GEORGE UHL

43. George Uhl, son of John and Eva Uhl, was born in Asch, Austria, July 21, 1842. When he was thirteen years of age, his widowed mother brought her three boys to America. Three years were spent in Ohio, then they came to Indiana, where George helped work on the farm. In July, 1861, at the age of nineteen, he enlisted in the U. S. Army, and served during practically the entire Civil War—an unusual record. See chapter VI for that interesting information.

After the war, George returned to his home in Pulaski County for two years. Occasional visits with the Adlers, and Wolframs were greatly enjoyed by all—Louise Adler, especially, being fond of her big cousin George. Going to Monticello, Indiana, he found work; and in 1872, on December 12th, he was married to Emily Clarissa Hamlin, in Mifflintown, Pennsylvania. They made their home in Monticello, and here their three children were born. George worked in the insurance business; was an Odd Fellow and member of Tippecanoe Post 51, G.A.R. He served as auditor of White County two terms—eight years, just previous to his death, which occurred June 9, 1893. It had been necessary to have operations on the stump of his leg which had been shot off in the war, no doubt hastening his death when scarcely fifty-one years of age.

EMILY CLARISSA (HAMLIN) UHL

(43) Emily Clarissa (Hamlin) Uhl, wife of George Uhl, was born in Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1850. Their married life was spent in Monticello, Indiana, and here she continued to live after the death of George, until her earthly pilgrimage ended on August 27, 1942, after an illness of several months. Although she was a small woman, to her falls the distinction of having lived longer than any one else recorded in these pages, for her time on earth numbered 91 years, 9 months and 13 days. They were members of the Presbyterian church.

BYRON HAMLIN UHL

431. Byron Hamlin Uhl, oldest child of George and Emily Uhl, was born October 25, 1873, in Monticello, Indiana. He was married to Euphemia Ellsman in December of 1899. To this union were born five daughters. The mother died some years ago, and later Byron was married to Maude Ferris. His occupation is that of assistant commissioner in the Immigration Service at Ellis Island, New York, an enviable position to which he has arrived during his more than forty years of service at that place.

EUPHEMIA (ELLSMAN) UHL

(431) Euphemia (Ellsman) Uhl, of New York, was the wife of Byron Uhl, and the mother of their five daughters. Her death occurred some years ago.

AGNES EMILY UHL

4311. Agnes Emily Uhl was the oldest child of Byron and Euphemia Uhl, and died in infancy.

HELEN MARGARET (UHL) —————

4312. Helen Margaret (Uhl) ————— is the daughter of Byron and Euphemia Uhl. She is married, as are her three sisters, and all live on the eastern coast, but no more information concerning them has been available.

RUTH ANITA (UHL) —————

4313. Ruth Anita (Uhl) ————— is the third daughter of Byron and Euphemia Uhl.

HILDEGARD (UHL) —————

4314. Hildegard (Uhl) ————— is the fourth child of Byron and Euphemia Uhl.

EMILY C. (UHL) —————

4315. Emily C. (Uhl) ————— is the youngest child of Byron and Euphemia Uhl.

MAUDE (FERRIS) UHL

(431) Maude (Ferris) Uhl is the second wife of Byron Uhl.

AGNES EVA (UHL) CUBBINS

432. Agnes Eva (Uhl) Cubbins, only daughter of George and Emily Uhl, was born February 2, 1876, at Monticello, Indiana. She was a doctor of medicine and a surgeon; graduate of Purdue University in pharmacy; of Woman's Medical College in Chicago, and served a year's internship in Cook County Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

While ill, she was married on what proved to be her deathbed, to Dr. William R. Cubbins, a few weeks before she passed away, on January 12, 1900. Thus, her promising career as a doctor when few women had entered that profession, was cut short by her untimely death.

WILLIAM R. CUBBINS

(432) William R. Cubbins, husband of Agnes Cubbins, has become a prominent surgeon of the middle west.

STEWART COURTLAND UHL

433. Stewart Courtland Uhl, youngest child of George and Emily Uhl, was born at Monticello, Indiana, June 1, 1878. Besides attending the public schools he was graduated from Chicago Business College. He was united in marriage with Leta Alice Spencer on April 9, 1902, in Wolcott, Indiana, where they have since resided. Stewart was in the garage business and for a number of years had a cigar store. If the

fall election goes right (Republican), he will be the next township trustee! The couple has one child and they are members of the Christian church in Wolcott.

LETA ALICE (SPENCER) UHL

(433) Leta Alice (Spencer) Uhl, wife of Stewart Uhl, is the daughter of Samuel T. and Nancy Jane (Bunnell) Spencer. She was born August 12, 1880, near Wolcott, White County, Indiana. She attended the public school, graduating from the Monticello, Indiana, High School. Since her marriage to Stewart she has been busy as a housewife.

MARGUERITE ALICE (UHL) PHILLIPS

4331. Marguerite Alice (Uhl) Phillips, daughter of Stewart C. and Leta Uhl, was born August 25, 1906, at Wolcott, Indiana. She completed the high school course in her home town, attended Northwestern Music School for a year, Indiana University a year, then two years Primary-Kindergarten Course at Madam Blakers in Indianapolis, from which she graduated. She taught school two years in Crawfordsville, then resigned and was married to Myron G. Phillips in 1932. She is a member of the Presbyterian church in Crawfordsville, where they are residing.

MYRON G. PHILLIPS

(4331) Myron G. Phillips, husband of Marguerite Phillips, was born in Monticello, Indiana, April 22, 1905, the son of Frank R. and Gertrude (Wilson) Phillips. He was graduated from Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Indiana, with Phi Beta Kappa honors; holds a Master's Degree from Iowa University, and has credits towards his Ph.D. Degree from Wisconsin and Northwestern Universities. He is a member of the Elks Lodge, Lambda Chi Fraternity, and is on the faculty of Wabash College, where he is a teacher of speech.

HERMAN UHL

44. Herman Uhl, son of John and Eva Uhl, was born in Asch, Austria, August 18, 1847. While quite young his father died, and in 1854 his mother with her children emigrated to America. Three years were spent in Ohio, then they moved to Indiana, near Monterey in Pulaski County. Here Herman helped to clear the land as he grew old enough and learned to farm. He became a good grubber and a hard worker.

Herman married a widow, Mrs. Catherine Magdalene Welter, who had two sons. For some time they lived south of Marmont on the same farm which the John Adlers and Fred Stahls had also occupied. They had one child, George. Herman attended the Zion Church. The Sunday school secretary book of 1875 says "German First Reader Class—Teacher, Herman Uhl."

After the death of his wife, Herman lived again with his mother. He was again married—to Elizabeth Ebling—but they soon separated. He enjoyed the sport of fishing, in which he indulged on the Tippecanoe River and Langenbaum Lake, while living in and near Monterey, where the last years of his life were spent in his home alone. He died November 22, 1924, and was buried in the Monterey Cemetery.

CATHERINE MAGDALENE (————) WELTER UHL

(44) Catherine Magdalene (————) Welter Uhl was the wife of Herman Uhl. Her first husband had died, leaving her with two small sons. She made men's straw hats and sold them. She braided rye straw, sewed it together, making good hats that wore well. Hat factories were not so plentiful then. When they visited their Aunt Margaret Wolfram, she sometimes brought her straw with her. Little is known of her life, but much expressed when some one remarked of her, "Lena Uhl was such a good woman."

GEORGE UHL

441. George Uhl was the only child of Herman and C. Magdalena Uhl. Most of his life was spent near and in Monterey, Indiana. He lost his mother while rather young. He worked on the farm, then on the railroad. George was married to Gertrude Wagner, who died when their child was born, the baby also dying. Later he married Kate Wagner, the sister of his first wife. Six children were born to this union. The family moved to Huntington, Indiana, where George passed away several years ago. They are active workers in the Pilgrim Holiness Church of Huntington.

GERTRUDE (WAGNER) UHL

(441) Gertrude (Wagner) Uhl was the wife of George Uhl and died in childbirth.

INFANT CHILD

4411. An infant child of George and Gertrude Uhl was stillborn

CATHERINE (WAGNER) UHL

(441) Catherine (Wagner) Uhl, called Kate, was the second wife of George Uhl. After his death she kept the family together till they were grown. She is living in her home in Huntington, Indiana.

JOHN UHL

4412. John Uhl is the son of George and Catherine Uhl.

PAUL UHL

4413. Paul Uhl is the son of George and Catherine Uhl.

NAOMI UHL

4414. Naomi Uhl is the daughter of George and Catherine Uhl

JOHANNA UHL

4415. Johanna Uhl is the daughter of George and Catherine Uhl.

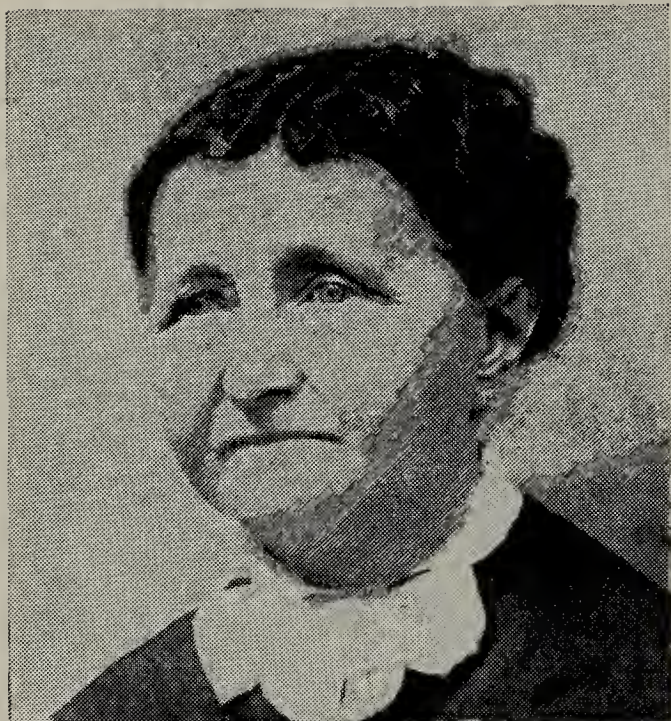
GEORGIANA UHL

4416. Georgiana Uhl is the daughter of George and Catherine Uhl.

ALBERT UHL

4417 Albert Uhl is the son of George and Catherine Uhl.

No more information has been received from this family.



ADLER FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS

Upper Picture: Mary M. (Egelkraut)
Adler Kaley.

Center Picture: Louisa (Adler) Norris
and Harvey Norris.

Lower Picture: William and Blanche
(Pond) Adler



SECTION V

MARY MAGDALENA (EGELKRAUT) ADLER KALEY

5. Mary Magdalena (Egelkraut) Kaley, daughter of John Christian and Gertraud Egelkraut, was born in the town of Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on February 3, 1824. Her childhood and youth were no doubt spent in a normal manner. Being just three years old when her mother died, her oldest sister felt it a great responsibility to "bring up" the younger children right. One evening Mary slipped away and went to a dance. When Margaret found it out, she went to get her and bring her home. But when she saw Mary having such a good time and looking so sweet in her white dress, she thought she looked so much like an angel that she just hadn't the heart to take her away. Mary was the most beautiful of the sisters, with her small features, fair skin, blue eyes and black hair.

She was married in Asch to John Adler. Two children were born to them there, the daughter dying in infancy. Realizing that the son, Ernest, would be taken for military training as soon as he reached the proper age, they decided to save him from this by going to America, which they did in 1852, the first of the family to leave the homeland. They settled first in Huron County, Ohio. When Mary's brother, Chris and the Wolframs came over, the Adlers and Chris together bought a farm, which is evidenced by a mortgage deed dated July 23, 1853, containing the signatures of "John Adler, Mary Adler, C. Egelkraut," showing that fifty acres of land were bought for \$650.00 from James Brown in Huron County, Ohio. Another paper shows that they borrowed some money, presumably paying cash for the balance, and also that all payments were made when due.

Later they moved to Indiana, living in Starke and Marshall Counties. They attended the Zion Reformed Church, both being charter members. When John was drafted for the Civil War, Ernest insisted on taking his father's place. Thus the demon of war caught them after all. The news, a month late, of Ernest's death in camp was such a shock that neither parent entirely recovered from it—the mother especially being left in a very nervous condition.

After the death of her husband, Mary and her children, Louise and Willie, did the best they could to make a living. In 1872 she was married to Henry Kaley, and helped raise his younger children, Lillie and Will Kaley. In her last illness, Lillie cared for her in the Kaley home near Twin Lakes. Mary and John Adler were both buried in the Cromley Cemetery, south of Culver, she being 77 years, 8 months and 21 days of age at the time of her death, October 24, 1901.

JOHN ADLER

The following was written by Dr. Allen A. Norris concerning his grandparents.

(5) "John Adler was born in Asch, Austria, on November 19, 1823; married Maria Egelkraut, who was born February 3, 1824. They came to America in 1852. What little information I have is what mother and grandmother told me. The earlier Adlers were weavers of linen. John had two brothers, one of whom came to America and settled "below Winamac," while the other, who was blind, remained in Asch.

"John Adler was a good father, husband and citizen. He and Simon Wolfram walked fifteen miles to Norwalk, Ohio, to obtain naturalization papers. He was a Christian church member—in Europe he was a Lutheran, in America, German Reformed and an officer in the Zion congregation near Culver. Not a strong man physically he passed away at the age of forty-seven years of a lung ailment near Marmont, Indiana.

"Mary Magdalena Egelkraut Adler. So far as I am an authority, she was the best grandmother in the world. An emotional reaction is not subject to argument or reasoning or statistics. She was MY grandmother, gave me bits of candy or cookies (or best of all maple sugar), taught me a German prayer, laughed with me and cried over me, gave me her Bible and her 'Schoenschreiben buch'—the copy book she used when in school in Asch and which she brought with her to America. Her life had an unusual amount of grief, disappointments, hardships, poverty, but she had grit, spunk and a faith that never faltered. For me 'little' grandma was the best ever."

A. A. N.

A member of the family possesses this first naturalization paper, which was issued at Norwalk, Ohio, December 9, 1856, to "John Adler, an alien and native of Austria . . . declared that it is his bona fide intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to the sovereignty of Austria, and subscribed his name to said declaration. . ."

HENRY KALEY

(5) Henry Kaley, second husband of Mary (Egelkraut) Adler, was born in Starke County, Ohio, on August 31, 1818. He was first married to Sarah Dreese, and they had several children. Some time after her death, he married Mary Adler. He died March 12, 1907, at Twin Lakes, Indiana.

ERNEST ADLER

51. Ernest Adler, oldest child of John and Mary Adler, was born in Asch, Austria, May 19, 1845. Coming to America with his parents at the age of seven, he soon learned to help with the farm work. When nineteen years of age, he took his father's place in the war draft. While in camp in Indianapolis, Indiana, he took the mumps. This disease, combined with exposure while on guard duty, caused his death on April 9, 1865.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PAST

Here is a copy of a letter Ernest wrote to our mother, which she kept through the years, finally turning it over to the Norris family. The envelope is addressed: "Miss Anstena Wolfram, North Bend P. O., Stark Co., Indiana."

"Camp Carington, March 20, 1865.

"Dear Cousin Anstena: I take the pen in hand to write you a few lines. I am in good health now, and hope these few lines will find you the same. I was very sick. I laid in the hospital about a week, we have very hard duty to do here. We have got to go on guard every other day. They hardly give us time to sleep. When we haint on guard we have to drill. There is about 300 sick soldiers in this camp, there are a good many dies off every day. They are sick with the measles and small pox. I cannot tell you much news at the present time. You must excuse my poor writing, I have a poor place to write on. It is nothing but an old dirty plank.

"I wish you would write as soon as you get this letter. I am very anxious to hear how you all are getting along. I wish you would tell my folks they should write a little oftener. I just got one letter from them, that is the one that you wrote. I think I will come to a close now. I wish you would write soon, it may be that I will get a furlough this summer some time. From your affectionate cousin Ernest Adler. I send my best respects to you all and Father and Mother and Mr. Browns folks. Good bye to you all.

"Directions:

"Mr. Ernst G. Adler,
Compana, H. G. Guard, Box 25,
Camp Carington, Indianapolis, Ind."

JOHANNA SOPHIA ADLER

52. Johanna Sophia Adler, daughter of John and Mary Adler, was born in Asch, Austria, October 28, 1850, and died there while very young.

LOUISA EMMA (ADLER) NORRIS

53. Louisa Emma (Adler) Norris, daughter of John and Mary Adler, was born in Ohio, Huron County, on January 16, 1853. When a child, the family moved to Starke County, Indiana, living in a log house as the other pioneer families lived. She sometimes walked to the Zion Church, seven miles away, carrying her shoes until she was nearly there to save them, then putting them on. Sometimes they drove with the oxen and wagon.

Louise, as she was called, did not have the opportunity to go to school very long; but she had an alert mind and added to her scanty education by observation, reading and study. To help with the family expenses, she sometimes worked in neighborhood homes. In 1871, December 16, she was united in marriage to Harvey Norris. Four children were born to this union. They lived in several communities, finally buying a farm on the southeast shore of Lake Maxinkuckee. Besides farming, they also ran a summer hotel for a number of years for people coming from cities to spend their summer vacations at the lake.

For over forty years, she was very active in church work, holding offices in the township and county Sunday school work as well as the local missionary society and the W.C.T.U. She taught a Sunday school class in the Washington Evangelical Church, east of Lake Maxinkuckee for many years. She loved to sing, and was especially gifted in prayer.

Louise had many friends, gained by her cheerful, happy disposition and her hospitality. She passed away in the home of her daughter, Anna, with interment in the Culver Cemetery beside her husband. Her death occurred on December 18, 1928, at Macy, Indiana.

HARVEY RANSOM NORRIS

(53) Harvey Ransom Norris, husband of Louisa Norris, was born March 22, 1851, the son of Ransom H. and Mary (Lewis) Norris, who lived east of Maxinkuckee Lake, on the farm that is now the Maxinkuckee Orchards. Harvey was a farmer all his life, and good as a mechanic. He was very strict in meeting his financial obligations and vitally concerned in the affairs of the church and community.

Because of his jovial disposition, he made a fine host for the visitors who came to their summer hotel. On January 1, 1926, he passed away in the S. I. Zechiel home while they were living at Walton, Indiana.

ANNA LENORA (NORRIS) ZECHIEL

531. Anna Lenora (Norris) Zechiel, only daughter of Harvey and Louise Norris, was born near Culver, Indiana, on November 10, 1872. She attended the public schools, supplementing this with some work in piano and art. She still enjoys painting as a hobby and past-time.

On December 20, 1893, she was united in marriage to Samuel I. Zechiel, thereby becoming the wife of a minister. In this capacity she

played her part well, always helping her husband whenever possible, particularly with the music, and in the work with the young people, in the large number of churches which they served, first in the Evangelical, then in the M. E. Church. For a number of years she also was director of the young people's work in the conferences in which they labored. Three sons were born, one dying in infancy and one as a young man.

Upon retiring from the ministry, they built a home on the east shore of Lake Maxinkuckee. It and all its contents were destroyed by fire in 1937 while they were at church one Sunday. They then bought a home in Culver, and since her husband's death she has continued to live there.

SAMUEL ISRAEL ZECHIEL

(531) Samuel Israel Zechiel, husband of Anna L. Zechiel and son of Jacob and Fredericka (Wolfert) Zechiel, was born April 12, 1867.

He attended the schools of the community, Valparaiso College and the County Normal, preparing himself for teaching, which he did for two years. Then he went to North Central College at Naperville, Illinois, where he studied for the ministry in the Evangelical church.

He successfully carried on his chosen work for forty-two and a half years, preaching in many churches of the Evangelical and Methodist Episcopal denominations in Indiana and Kansas. During this time he held a number of honored positions in the conferences in which he worked. Partly as a result of an automobile accident in which he and his wife were injured, he became ill and for about a year was a cheerful and patient invalid until he was called Home on January 22, 1941. Burial was in the Culver Cemetery.

ALLEN NORRIS ZECHIEL

5311. Allen Norris Zechiel, oldest son of Samuel and Anna Zechiel, was born at Markle, Indiana, on February 9, 1896. He is a graduate of DePauw University of Greencastle, Indiana, and received his M.A. Degree from Ohio State University.

On August 25, 1922, he was married to Marietta Clearwaters and they have had two sons. His profession has been in the field of education, teaching for thirteen years in the Tower Hill School in Wilmington, Delaware. He then entered the field of educational research under the Rockefeller Foundation; and later took over the educational work of the Kellogg Foundation, with which he is now identified, in southern Michigan. His World War record is given in Chapter VI.

MARIETTA (CLEARWATERS) ZECHIEL

(5311) Marietta (Clearwaters) Zechiel, wife of Norris Zechiel, was born May 29, 1899, the daughter of Rev. John and Frances (Green) Clearwaters. She attended the public schools, and is a graduate of DePauw University. She taught in the Sullivan, Indiana, High School

one year before her marriage. This couple has two children, and they live in South Haven, Michigan.

LEON NORRIS ZECHIEL

53111. Leon Norris Zechiel, oldest son of A. Norris and Marietta Zechiel, was born on September 23, 1923, at Wilmington, Delaware. He graduated from high school in Columbus, Ohio, and is now a student in DePauw University at Greencastle, Indiana.

JOHN NORMAN ZECHIEL

53112. John Norman Zechiel, "Jack," was born at Wilmington, Delaware, on July 13, 1927, the second son of A. Norris and Marietta Zechiel. He is a high school student at his home town of South Haven, Michigan.

RANSOM WILLIAM ZECHIEL

5312. Ransom William Zechiel, second son of Samuel and Anna Zechiel, was born at Elkhart, Indiana, September 27, 1900. He attended the public schools, then took a business course at the Ft. Wayne Business College. He also attended Tri-State College at Angola, Indiana, then taught one year in the Culver High School. Completing the university course at DePauw, he had entered his senior year in Medical School in Bloomington, when he was stricken with appendicitis, and died on August 25, 1925; a fine, bright young man, almost ready to embark on a promising and worthy career. He is buried in the Culver Cemetery.

EMERSON ELMER ZECHIEL

5313. Emerson Elmer Zechiel, third son of Samuel and Anna Zechiel, was born in Wolcottville, Indiana, January 19, 1906, and was only permitted to remain here four days, passing away on January 10, 1906.

ALLEN ANSON NORRIS

(Allen tells his own story)

532. I was born to Louisa Emma, wife of Harvey Ransom Norris, on January 20, 1875, but I can't prove it. Take my word for it as I took mother's, for the government didn't care at that time. I bawled for the first six months. I would like to forget it but can't. I was reminded of it all too frequently till after I was married.

I started to school at the age of four, learned to read, write and cipher. When I was thirteen I knew more than the teacher, so he nick-named me Professor and gave me a diploma. That was 1888. Three years later I went to the County Normal six weeks' course—lied about my age, put on a white starched shirt (without undershirt) and a stiff katie hat and taught the Hillside School in the daytime and played checkers in the evenings. Began to size up the girls—discovered that the pretty ones were the dumbest. Spent a few years

thinking it over and married Dora Blanche Kelly. I will pass further comment for fear she may read it, and she is not so dumb when dealing with me.

So that closes the romantic and formative periods. Date, Christmas Eve, 1898. At that time I was principal of the Syracuse High School, she was principal of the Middlebury Street School in Elkhart, Indiana. I graduated Bachelor of Arts, Indiana University, 1902, Rush Medical College M.D., 1906. Located in Elkhart. Member of the Board of Health of Elkhart for twelve years. Am a Mason, Knight Templar, Methodist, member of Indiana Academy of Science, Indiana State Historical Society, American Medical Association, past president Elkhart County Medical Society, Staff of Elkhart General Hospital, Elkhart Art League.

Allen A. Norris

DORA BLANCHE (KELLY) NORRIS

(532) Dora Blanche (Kelly) Norris, wife of Allen Norris, was born in Snyder County, Pennsylvania, June 7, 1875. Her father was Irish, English and German mixture and her mother from a Pennsylvania Dutch family named Witmer. She graduated from the Elkhart High School, attended Frances Parker Normal School in Chicago, and taught in the Elkhart City Schools. Her hobbies are her home and her church. Two children were born into this home.

PAULINE LOUISE (NORRIS) JESSUP

5321. Pauline Louise (Norris) Jessup, daughter of Allen and Dora Norris, was born January 24, 1901, in Elkhart, Indiana. Here she had her public school work, then was graduated from DePauw University, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Pauline has an excellent musical education, she is a member of the D.A.R., since both her father and mother had ancestors who were soldiers in the Revolutionary War. She was married to Parke M. Jessup, June 12, 1925, and they have two children. The family belongs to the Congregational church in Muscatine, Iowa, where they reside.

PARKE M. JESSUP

(5321) Parke M. Jessup, husband of Pauline Jessup, is the son of Charles and Luzetta (Moore) Jessup. He was born February 26, 1898, at Marshall, Indiana, and here he received his public school work. He is a graduate of Indiana University and of the University Medical School. He holds a master's degree in surgery from the University of Pennsylvania. His hobby is hunting, and they spend a part of each year in their cabin in the wilds of Canada. He is a Mason, and is on the staff and part owner of the Muscatine Hospital, in Muscatine, Iowa.

JOHN NORRIS JESSUP

53211. John Norris Jessup, oldest child of Parke and Pauline Jessup, was born January 13, 1927. He is a high school student in Muscatine, Iowa.

JOAN ELIZABETH JESSUP

53212. Joan Elizabeth Jessup, daughter of Parke and Pauline Jessup, was born January 20, 1933. She entered this life handicapped, being deaf from birth. Since the age of four years, she has attended Central Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis, Missouri, each school term. Joan has learned to speak well, is a very proficient lip-reader, and a bright and attractive girl.

ERNEST BERNARD NORRIS

5322. Ernest Bernard Norris, son of Allen and Dora Norris, was born September 11, 1907, in Elkhart, Indiana. He completed the Elkhart public school course, then entered Indiana University, graduating from that school and the University Medical School. His internship was in the Methodist Hospital of Indianapolis.

Mary Givens became his wife July 6, 1929. Ernest is practicing medicine in Middlebury, Indiana, where they live. They belong to the Methodist church and he to the Masonic Lodge. He is quite interested in photography as a hobby.

MARY LOIS (GIVENS) NORRIS

(5322) Mary Lois (Givens) Norris is the wife of Ernest Norris. Her family came from Kentucky and live in Indianapolis, where she had her high school work. She and Ernest have two children. Her brother, Mason Givens, is now treasurer of the State of Indiana.

SUE ANN NORRIS

53221. Sue Ann Norris, first child of Ernest and Mary Norris, was born December 3, 1930. She is a student in the Middlebury School.

ALLEN MASON NORRIS

53222. Allen Mason Norris, son of Ernest and Mary Norris, was born July 1, 1932. He attends school in Middlebury, Indiana.

WILLIAM GEORGE NORRIS

533. William George Norris, third child of Harvey and Louise Norris, was born near Bruce Lake, Indiana, on April 22, 1877. He attended high school in Markle, Indiana, and one year at Indiana State University at Bloomington. He then entered the teaching profession, following it for about ten years. He also took up farming and has continued in that work. Will was united in marriage with June Smith and after some years she passed away, they having had three children.

On December 25, 1936, he was married to Bessie Stopher in the home of his sister, by Rev. Zechiel. They are residing on their farm near Tyner, Indiana. Will has been a worker in farm organizations as well as in public and civic activities of the day; and he and his wife are active members of the United Brethren Church of Tyner.

JUNE (SMITH) NORRIS

(533) June (Smith) Norris, wife of William Norris, was born June 15, 1878, near South Bend, Indiana. Her parents were Peter and Mary (Kaley) Smith. She had the education of the public schools, supplemented by work on the piano. June and Will were married in South Bend by Rev. Hovis of the M. E. Church, in the fall of 1902. She was a fine homemaker, and reared three children; but soon after the last was married, she was stricken while getting a bucket of water, dying instantly. This was on February 6, 1936. She was a member of the Tyner United Brethren Church.

EVA (NORRIS) TELLKAMP

5331. Eva (Norris) Tellkamp was born the first child of William and June Norris, on January 28, 1904, near Culver, Indiana. She moved with her parents to near Tyner and graduated from high school there. Attended Indiana University at Bloomington for two years and taught in the public schools of Marshall County for five years. On August 10, 1926, she was married to Bernard F. Tellkamp. They are now living in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with their two children and are active in a large community church, he being superintendent of their Sunday school.

BERNARD F. TELLKAMP

(5331) Bernard F. Tellkamp, husband of Eva Tellkamp and son of John G. and Hermina (Goffert) Tellkamp, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on July 29, 1903. He was graduated from the Tyner, Indiana, High School, received his B. S. degree in electrical engineering at Purdue University in 1925. He is now engaged in development engineering in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he and his family reside.

JUNE LOUISE TELLKAMP

53311. June Louise Tellkamp was born to Bernard and Eva Tellkamp on May 27, 1927, in Cleveland, Ohio.

JOHN WILLIAM TELLKAMP

53312. John William Tellkamp was born in Lake Wales, Florida, the son of Bernard and Eva Tellkamp, on February 26, 1931.

EVELYN ROWENA (NORRIS) LILLY

5332. Evelyn Rowena (Norris) Lilly was born near Culver, Indiana, October 12, 1906, the second daughter of William and June Norris. She was graduated from the Tyner, Indiana, High School

and from Indiana University Training School for Nurses in 1927. She has spent fourteen years nursing at Sturgis, Michigan, Los Angeles, California, and Three Rivers, Michigan. Evelyn is registered in Indiana, California and Michigan and is a member of the National American Nurses Association. She is at present supervisor of First Aid Hospital at Fairbanks Morse & Company at Three Rivers. On February 4, 1940, she was married to David Lilly at her parents' home. They are Methodists.

DAVID NELSON LILLY

(5332) David Nelson Lilly, husband of Evelyn Lilly, is the son of Nelson D. and Lydia (Royer) Lilly. He was graduated from the Burr Oak, Michigan, High School and attended Adrian College at Adrian, Michigan, for two years and a half. He was fond of music and played cornet and clarinet in the Bronson, Michigan, band. Until called into Uncle Sam's service in June, 1941, he was an inspector in Fairbanks Morse & Company, of Three Rivers, Michigan. See Chapter VI for military record.

NORMAN WELCOME NORRIS

5333. Norman Welcome Norris, son of William and June Norris, was born March 18, 1913, near Culver, Indiana. He was graduated from the Tyner High School in 1931 and attended Purdue University one year. On August 9, 1935, he was married to Lois Ranstead at Lake Maxinkuckee in the home of his Aunt Anna. Welcome, as he is known, has always been a farmer and he and his family are living on their farm northwest of Plymouth, Indiana. They have two children.

LOIS MARGUERITE (RANSTEAD) NORRIS

(5333) Lois Marguerite (Ranstead) Norris, wife of Norman Welcome Norris and daughter of Don F. and Retta M. (Shidler) Ranstead, was born at Lakeville, Indiana, May 17, 1916. She attended school at Lakeville, graduating from the high school there in 1935. Before marriage she had been employed at housework.

EVELYN JOAN NORRIS

53331. Evelyn Joan Norris was born, the daughter of Welcome and Lois Norris, on May 19, 1936, at Plymouth, Indiana.

MARY ANN NORRIS

53332. Mary Ann Norris, second daughter of Welcome and Lois Norris, was born at Plymouth, Indiana, September 15, 1939.

BESSIE HELEN (STOPHER) NORRIS

(533) Bessie Helen (Stopher) Norris, wife of William Norris and daughter of Sylvester and Mary (Boulton) Stopher, was born March 22, 1890, near Harlan, Indiana. She was graduated from the Harlan High School, took work at Terre Haute Normal and Madame

Blakers School, now Teachers College, Indianapolis. She entered the teaching profession which she followed for twenty-three and a half years. She is fond of music and has studied piano and violin. In 1936 she was married to William Norris and has since followed the profession of farmer's wife.

NORMAN SYLVESTER NORRIS

534. Norman Sylvester Norris was born September 6, 1879, near Donaldson, Indiana, the youngest child of Harvey and Louise Norris. He was graduated from high school in Markle, Indiana, taught school two years, then attended Indiana University, graduating from the Dental Department there. He then opened a dentist's office in Culver, Indiana, in 1904 where he still is working on folks' teeth.

On July 22, 1907, he was united in marriage to Matilda M. Hawkins. Having no children of their own they adopted a daughter, Bonnie, when she was small, thus brightening their lives and giving a motherless child the many advantages of a good home.

MATILDA MAY (HAWKINS) NORRIS

(534) Matilda May (Hawkins) Norris, wife of Norman Norris and daughter of Ezra and Mary Jane (Ebling) Hawkins, was born northwest of Culver, Indiana, on November 12, 1886. She received the usual education of the community and was married to Norman S. Norris. Her chief interest is her family and home and she has proven to be an excellent housekeeper as well as much interested in flowers.

BONNIE (NORRIS) RECTOR

5341. Bonnie (Norris) Rector, adopted daughter of Norman and Matilda Norris, was born in Knox, Indiana, May 19, 1915. Her real parents were Edward and Mary Borkman. She was graduated from high school in Culver, Indiana, and helped her father some in the dentist office. She was married to Paul Rector on September 27, 1937, and they have lived in Pendleton, Indiana, since that time.

PAUL IRVIN RECTOR

(5341) Paul Irvin Rector, husband of Bonnie Rector, was born in Pendleton, Indiana, May 31, 1912, the son of Frank and Georgia Rector. He was graduated from the Pendleton High School and from the Culver Summer Naval School at Culver, Indiana. He attended Purdue University for a time and at present is employed by General Motors at Anderson, Indiana. They have three children.

TONYA JEAN RECTOR

53411. Tonya Jean Rector, oldest child of Paul and Bonnie Rector, was born at Pendleton, Indiana, on February 12, 1938.

DAVID WILLIAM RECTOR

53412. David William Rector was born at Pendleton, Indiana, January 25, 1940, to Paul and Bonnie Rector.

LINDA LOU RECTOR

53413. Linda Lou Rector, third child of Paul and Bonnie Rector, was born December 11, 1941, at Pendleton, Indiana.

WILLIAM HENRY ADLER

54. William Henry Adler, youngest son of John and Mary Adler, was born in Starke County, Indiana, March 31, 1862. His childhood was not an especially happy one, as his father died when he was nine years old, throwing unusual responsibilities on his young shoulders. He worked for farmers, and at the age of twenty-two, went to Fayette County, Iowa, where a friend of the family lived.

After two years he purchased a mule team and wagon and emigrated to Phillips County, Kansas; then in 1886 he journeyed to Lane County in that state, took up a government homestead of 160 acres, and built a sod house on it. Doing as other pioneers did, he used the building material most easily obtained, which in his locality was sod. In 1887, Will returned to Phillips County where, on March 16, he was united in marriage to Blanche B. Pond, of Fayette County, Iowa. They soon moved to the "little old sod shanty on the claim." Here they resided over twenty-one years and here their eight children were born. As they prospered through the years, four hundred acres of land adjoining the homestead were gradually bought, and the sod house enlarged. During this time they encountered many difficulties and hard times, but later sold out, bought 160 acres of improved land in Pawnee County, Oklahoma, and moved there in 1907, where they continue to live near the town of Maramec.

Some years ago oil was discovered in Pawnee County and a well was driven on their farm. This produced oil for a time, then ceased. Rev. S. I. Zechiel, after visiting them said, "Will Adler is the richest man I know, not rich in material wealth, but rich in his outlook on life and his spirit of contentment and faith." Both Will and Blanche are very devout Christians, being connected with the "Church of the First Born, which are written in Heaven."

BLANCHE B. (POND) ADLER

(54) Blanche B. (Pond) Adler, wife of William Adler, was born in Ogle County, Illinois, March 3, 1866. Her parents were William C. and Priscilla (Strong) Pond, and were farmers. Blanche had the common school education of the community. After her marriage, she became one of the pioneer mothers of the Kansas prairies, with experiences that were unknown to her eastern relatives. Though suffering much from ill health in recent years, she is happy in her home at Maramec, Oklahoma. In addition to the house work, she and her husband are busy with their garden, chickens and bees, having extra honey to sell. Their son Bert now farms their land.

ERNEST R. ADLER

541. Ernest R. Adler, the first child of William and Blanche Adler, was born in Lane County, Kansas, on December 12, 1888. He was privileged to remain here but a short time, passing away on January 26, 1889.

ESSIE M. (ADLER) CAVE

542. Essie M. (Adler) Cave, oldest daughter of William and Blanche Adler, was born in Lane County, Kansas, on October 25, 1890. She attended the school in the vicinity and being the oldest child living, she had her share of work in the home, helping her mother and caring for the children who came after her. On December 24, 1916, she was married to Burnell F. Cave, in Pawnee County, Oklahoma, by I. F. Harmon. This happy home was destined to be broken up before many years for on February 12, 1923, she was taken in death. She had been converted several years before her death.

BURNELL F. CAVE

(542) Burnell F. Cave was born in Scott County, Kansas, on October 20, 1888. He was married to Essie M. Adler in 1916.

EARL C. ADLER

543. Earl C. Adler, son of William and Blanche Adler, was born in Lane County, Kansas, on December 3, 1892. He went to school in the neighborhood. As a young man, he helped his father farm and also worked in the oil fields in their community in Oklahoma, after the family moved there.

On May 6, 1918, he married Josie Truesdell and they have made their home in Maramec, Oklahoma. They have two children, Bernard and Dorothy, and attend the U. B. Church. He spent eight months in Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, in the Medical Corps, near the close of the World War; and for the last eighteen years has had a garage of his own and is a fine auto mechanic. See Chapter VI.

JOSIE (TRUESDELL) ADLER

(543) Josie (Truesdell) Adler, daughter of Dr. Abraham and Frankie (Thompson) Truesdell, and wife of Earl C. Adler, was born in Pawnee County, Oklahoma, on March 7, 1892. She received her education in the community and taught school for some time before her marriage. Since then she has been a good housewife and mother to their two children as well as mothering her niece and nephew for a period of time. At the death of Earl's sister, Mina Allen, he and Josie took the motherless children in and lovingly cared for them. She is active in the U. B. Church.

BERNARD R. ADLER

5431. Bernard R. Adler, oldest child of Earl and Josie Adler, was born at Quay, Oklahoma, on February 25, 1920. He was graduated from the Maramec, Oklahoma, High School and attended school at Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College at Stillwater.

DOROTHY L. ADLER

5432. Dorothy L. Adler, daughter of Earl and Josie Adler, was born at Maramec, Oklahoma, on July 3, 1923. She attended grade

school there and was graduated from the Tulsa, Oklahoma, High School. She is preparing herself for the nursing profession at Ponca City, Oklahoma.

ALMA L. (ADLER) HOPPES

544. Alma L. (Adler) Hoppes was born in Lane County, Kansas, on September 28, 1894, the daughter of William and Blanche Adler. She had the common school education and on June 3, 1926, was united in marriage to Vern W. Hoppes, at Sherman, Texas, by Rev. J. H. Baxter. She has since been a housewife doing her share in their Kansas farm home.

VERN W. HOPPES

(544) Vern W. Hoppes, husband of Alma L. Hoppes, was born near Oelwein, Fayette County, Iowa, on September 14, 1880, the son of Frank and Cora (Pond) Hoppes. After he was grown he followed the occupation of barber for some time but later gave it up for farming which he is continuing to do on their farm in Phillips County, Kansas.

BERT R. ADLER

545. Bert R. Adler was born in Lane County, Kansas, the son of William and Blanche Adler, on February 19, 1896. He received most of his schooling at Maramec, Oklahoma. He taught school for three years, then following his seventeen months in the first World War, he went to Montana where he taught three additional years. Bert returned to Oklahoma where he worked as a garage mechanic for seven years; then he purchased a small piece of ground near the edge of Maramec where he is farming and raising chickens. He and his wife attend the U. B. Church and are interested in the welfare of the community. His war record will be found in Chapter VI.

ETHEL (HOOVER) ADLER

(545) Ethel (Hoover) Adler, wife of Bert Adler, and daughter of John and Ella (Stafford) Hoover, was born in Ozark County, Missouri, on March 24, 1897. She received the usual education of the day and on September 17, 1924, was united in marriage to Bert R. Adler at Guthrie, Oklahoma, by Rev. R. P. Crawford. She is an able helpmate to her husband in their work of raising chickens and farming.

FRANK H. ADLER

546. Frank H. Adler, son of William and Blanche Adler, was born in Lane County, Kansas, on February 25, 1898. He received the education of the time and became a partner of his brother, Earl, in the garage business. After some years, he purchased the hardware store in their home town of Maramec, in which business he is still engaged. On August 29, 1923, he took unto himself a wife in the person of Lodessa Allen. To them were born two children, Melvin and Helen Irene. See his war record in Chapter VI.

LODESSA (ALLEN) ADLER

(546) Lodessa (Allen) Adler was born near Harper, Magaffain County, Kentucky, on September 8, 1904, the daughter of Coy and Effie (Onley) Allen. She married Frank H. Adler in 1923 and they have lived in Maramec, Oklahoma, where they are bringing up their son and daughter. Lodessa is kept busy keeping up the home and helping her husband carry on the work in the store. They are active in the U. B. Church.

MELVIN H. ADLER

5461. Melvin H. Adler, oldest child of Frank and Lodessa Adler, was born in Maramec, Oklahoma, on June 21, 1924. He has attended the common and high school in his home town and is interested in athletics.

HELEN IRENE ADLER

5462. Helen Irene Adler was born in Maramec, Oklahoma, the daughter of Frank and Lodessa Adler, on April 11, 1926. She attends the Maramec High School and is called Irene.

HAZEL P. ADLER

547. Hazel P. Adler, seventh child of William and Blanche Adler, was born in Lane County, Kansas, on February 22, 1901. She was small when her parents moved to Oklahoma where she received her education. When a young woman she was converted. Hazel was called to her eternal home, after a long illness, on August 9, 1923, at the age of twenty-two years.

MINA L. (ADLER) ALLEN

548. Mina L. (Adler) Allen, youngest child of William and Blanche Adler, was born in Lane County, Kansas, on June 14, 1905. When two years old her family moved to Maramec, Oklahoma, where she received her education. On May 11, 1927, she was wedded to Clifford E. Allen. Two children were born to them, Irma Lee and Marvin. But when Marvin was but eight days of age, Mina passed away at the hospital in Wewoka, Oklahoma, leaving her grief stricken husband with the two children, she being only thirty-two years of age. She was a member of The Assembly of God.

CLIFFORD ALLEN

(548) Clifford Allen, son of Coy and Effie (Onley) Allen, was born near Harper, Kentucky, October 29, 1907. He and Lodessa Adler are brother and sister. He has been in business as a truck contractor.

IRMA LEE ALLEN

5481. Irma Lee Allen, oldest child of Clifford and Mina Allen, was born May 11, 1928.

MARVIN EVERETT ALLEN

5482. Marvin Everett Allen was born at Wewoka, Oklahoma, on August 22, 1937, the son of Clifford and Mina Allen. When he was only eight days old he was left motherless. His uncle and aunt, the Earl Adlers, took him and Irma Lee into their home and cared for them until their father remarried.



Egelkraut Family Tree

SECTION VI

CHRISTIAN ERHART EGELKRAUT

6. Christian Erhart Egelkraut was born in Asch, District of Eger, Kingdom of Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on March 14, 1827, the son of Christian and Gertraud (Sommerer) Egelkraut. He was never privileged to know a mother's love and care, for when he was but a few days old, his mother died, leaving him in the care of his father and oldest sister, Anna Margaretha, then only fourteen years of age. "Chris," as he was called, was but a lad of nine when his father also passed away.

He attended the public school in Asch, and followed in his father's footsteps by learning the trade of weaver and also how to repair looms. He became a good weaver and invented a process for weaving fancy cloth, with raised designs on the silk.

This young man was not satisfied with conditions where he lived, so he decided to go to America, to which land some of his relatives had already emigrated. So, on April 11, 1853, in company with the Simon Wolfram family, he left Asch. Their sailing vessel was not ready when they arrived at the seaport of Bremen, so Chris changed his plans, finding a ship sailing earlier from Hamburg. He arrived in New York June 6th. Among the personal belongings that he valued enough to bring to America was a miniature metal chest, now in the possession of his daughter Mary. Along with other things, this chest contains a set of autograph cards given him by friends. From New York he proceeded to Sandusky, Ohio, where he found employment in a lime kiln. This seemed to be just the right work for him, since he had weighed only ninety-five pounds upon arrival and had contracted tuberculosis; but this seemed to cure his affliction. He lived with the family of his employer, and learned the English language from their children in the evenings.

On May 29, 1859, Chris was united in marriage to Barbara Smith, by Rev. Smouchro, and they began their life together in Huron County on a farm. Their three older children were born here. In May, 1865, they moved to Clear Lake Township, Steuben County, Indiana, making the trip in a covered wagon. They purchased 160 acres east of Fremont and lived for a time in a log house, later building a large frame dwelling. Some time following this, they bought 75 acres across the road from the first place and on the south side of Clear Lake.

They were members of the Lutheran church in Ohio. There being no church of this faith in their neighborhood in Indiana, they often drove to Eden, Ohio, for services. This required very early rising, for they needed to start at about five o'clock with the horses and big wagon, to arrive in time for church over the rough roads. Later, they assisted in building a U. B. Church very near their home, with which they united in 1882. After this they had company for dinner on Sunday almost regularly, as they lived so near the church, and were friendly and hospitable, sometimes having as many as thirty-five for Sunday dinner.

The Frederick Brouse family and Winters family were their neighbors and close friends. Christian always took German papers and magazines, and he and Mr. Winters often exchanged their papers as well as their views and opinions. He was up-to-date in his thinking, was interested in current events and kept advanced in thought. One of his family says, "He read his papers and magazines, then always came back to his Bible, saying, "This is the best, after all."

Also, "He was a man of strong religious inclinations and character, and up to the last hours of his life his mind was directed in behalf of the good cause. His great desire before leaving this life was to see all of his children converted and united with the church." From his eldest sister's family comes this sidelight on the religious phase of his life. Anna Margaretha, you remember, took the place of his mother from his babyhood, and later their father's place also. When a young man, traveling around from place to place as a journeyman, practicing his weaver's trade, he became associated with the religious group known as Pietisten. These people were very devout and pious, meeting in different homes for Bible study and prayer. Through their influence, Chris was changed from a careless, rather harum-scarum young man into a thoughtful, religious individual.

Retiring from the active work of the farm, they moved to Fremont, Indiana, in the fall of 1900. Here there was no U. B. Church building, but sometimes a minister came and held services on Sunday afternoon in the Congregational church. He was tolerant in his religious views, attending the Congregational services and also German services in the Free Methodist Church. Chris loved music. There was an organ in their home—one of the earliest in the farm homes of their community—although he could not play or sing. He voted the Republican ticket but never discussed politics.

His earthly life ended March 20, 1908, five of his ten children having preceded him in death. Burial was in the Teeters Cemetery near Fremont. Aged 81 years, 6 days.

BARBARA (SMITH) EGELKRAUT

(6) Barbara (Smith) Egelkraut, wife of Christian Egelkraut, was born in Manchester, Pennsylvania, April 22, 1838, one of a family of eight children. Her parents were John and Mary (Pitts) Smith. They moved to Seneca County, Ohio, and it was here that she and Christian Egelkraut were married. After several years, they left Ohio and went to Indiana, settling on a farm near Fremont. She proved to be a good homemaker and a thrifty housewife, and many friends enjoyed her hospitality.

She united with the Lutheran church May 29, 1853, retaining her Christian faith throughout her entire life. She was much opposed to drinking, for in her childhood she had suffered because of the evils of intemperance in her own home. One of her granddaughters said of her, "I always admired my grandmother; she seemed so tall and straight to me. She liked pretty clothes, always having a good dress and tried to have a little bonnet to match it. She had good taste and

took pride in having herself look well." However, there was not much time to spend on personal appearance as long as they lived on the farm, for a mother of ten children would find plenty of work to do.

After moving to Fremont, the few remaining years of her life were spent in comparative ease. She passed away aged 73 years, on May 24, 1911—a pioneer woman who had contributed her share in the life of a growing community. She was buried in the Teeters Cemetery. The children in this family were: Martin, Mary, Jonas, Frederick William, Enos Joseph, Christian Frank, Lydia, Samuel Jacob, Charley and Jasper Wallace.

MARTIN GUSTAV EGELKROUD

61. Martin Gustav Egelkroud, first child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born in Richland Township, Huron County, Ohio, on September 3, 1860. He was about five years old when the family moved to Indiana, near Fremont, where he grew to manhood. Here he joined in the work and play of the farm home and community life.

In 1884 he was married to Mary Catherine Wiggins. They lived on a farm for some time, then moved to Battle Creek, Michigan. Here Martin worked as a machinist for twenty-four years at the Advance Thresher Company, until his death, January 6, 1918.

You will note a change in the spelling of his surname, which came about in this way. When Martin bought a home, the clerk at Marshall, Michigan, laughed at the German name, and suggested the final "kroud" instead of "kraut," which Martin legally adopted.

MARY CATHERINE (WIGGINS) EGELKROUD

(61) Mary Catherine (Wiggins) Egelkroud, wife of Martin G. Egelkroud, was born August 16, 1864, near Angola, Indiana. Her parents were Rev. C. F. and Samantha (Mason) Wiggins, her father being a Methodist minister. She passed away on May 30, 1910, at Battle Creek, Michigan, having had one son.

PAUL WIGGINS EGELKROUD

611. Paul Wiggins Egelkroud, only child of Martin and Mary Egelkroud, was born at Battle Creek, Michigan, May 30, 1894. He attended the public schools of Battle Creek, and went to business college. On his sixteenth birthday, Paul had the sad experience of losing his mother in death. He was married to Mabel Sheldon at Woodland, Michigan, on November 30, 1922. He has been a clerk and insurance salesman, now being employed in the Ford Airplane Factory. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge. See Chapter VI for his First World War record.

MABEL (SHELDON) EGELKROUD

(611) Mabel (Sheldon) Egelkroud, wife of Paul Egelkroud, was born at Greenville, Michigan, February 15, 1893. She was the daughter of Edgar and Dollie (Farr) Sheldon. She prepared herself for teaching school by attending Western State College, at Kalamazoo, Michigan, and has received her B.S. degree from Wayne University, Detroit. For a number of years, she has been teaching in Detroit, besides keeping up the home. Paul and Mabel have one son. Their church is the Temple Boulevard Methodist Church.

PAUL EDGAR EGELKROUD

6111. Paul Edgar Egelkroud, son of Paul and Mabel Egelkroud, was born April 2, 1924, at Detroit, Michigan. He is a student specializing in music, at Cass Technical High School in Detroit.

MARY MAGDALINE (EGELKRAUT) HUFNAGLE

62. Mary Magdaline (Egelkraut) Hufnagle, second child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born in Richland Township, Huron County, Ohio, on August 29, 1862. When she was about three years old, her family moved to Indiana, near Fremont. She grew to be a strong, healthy girl, not only learning to do housework with her mother, but often working out in the fields with her father. Indeed, he often called her "my boy," for she was such a great help to him. Mary enjoyed this out-of-door work, preferring it to constant work in the house. Her education was received in the country school, and she joined in the social and religious life of the community.

In 1882, November 19, she was married to Aaron Richard Hufnagle, at Reading, Michigan, by Rev. I. S. Parmelee. They started housekeeping on a farm, buying one in the vicinity of her father's, but later sold this and bought another on the Michigan-Indiana state line, which they still own. Here, as always, she took an active interest in the farm, cheerfully doing her part as a farmer's wife, and seeking the best advantages for their children. As farm life became too hard, they moved to Fremont, buying a home there, where they expect to spend the remaining years of their lives. Here, they take great pleasure and pride in raising a fine quality of berries and vegetables in their large garden.

It was quite an event for the Egelkraut relationship when the Wolfram-Egelkraut Family Reunion was held at the Hufnagle home in August, 1926. On Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, the roads leading to Fremont were kept busy by the trek of the relatives from a distance, while the local folks were busy raiding the gardens, chicken houses, cellars, etc., to provide the quantities of delicious food they served. The weather man was against us, for it poured down rain all day long, making it impossible to use the large tent they had provided. So everyone crowded into the house, making the best of the situation with fun, laughter and good fellowship.

Mary Hufnagle and Will Adler, each aged eighty, and Charley Egelkraut, aged sixty-three, are the only living members of the family of the third generation.

AARON RICHARD HUFNAGLE

(62) Aaron Richard Hufnagle, husband of Mary Hufnagle, was born on September 25, 1860, in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, the son of Thomas and Louisa (Bricker) Hufnagle.

The family later moved to Steuben County, Indiana, and it was here that he met his future wife, Mary Egelkraut. As a farmer, Dick, as he was called, was quite successful, and by good management and hard work provided a good home for his family. Upon retiring from the farm, he became a meat cutter in one of the markets in Fremont, in which work he continued as long as he was physically able. As a child he broke his forearm. Although the bone was never set, leaving his arm quite crooked, this apparently was no handicap to him and

to his work. He still takes quite an interest in his farm, the fields of which he has rented.

MAUDE MAY (HUFNAGLE) PIFER

621. Maude May (Hufnagle) Pifer, oldest child of Aaron and Mary Hufnagle, was born near Fremont, Indiana, October 15, 1886. She attended the common schools near her home, then stayed with her grandparents in Fremont to get her high school training. After being a schoolma'am for five years, teaching lost its grip on her, and she was married to Ivan Burl Pifer, April 27, 1911. Along with her house-keeping, she found time for sewing, so was quite a seamstress for several years. She joined the U. B. Church, to which her father and mother belonged.

Maude has always loved music, keeping in touch with developments along musical lines, as well as in topics of the day. Their home is in Fremont, and they have one daughter, Mary.

IVAN BURL PIFER

(621) Ivan Burl Pifer, husband of Maude Pifer, was born October 18, 1885, at Fremont, Indiana. He attended school, completing the grades and the high school. At present he is a mechanic in a garage and is an automobile dealer. His parents are Cary W. and Jennie M. (Straw) Pifer.

MARY JEANETTE (PIFER) WEAVER

6211. Mary Jeanette (Pifer) Weaver, only child of Ivan and Maude Pifer, was born March 7, 1922, at Fremont, Indiana. She completed the common school and high school, from which she was graduated in 1941. She is quite a good musician, playing the piano and accordion, and having a pleasing voice in song. On May 7, 1941, she and Paul Weaver of Coldwater, Michigan, were united in marriage. They reside at Coldwater and attend the Methodist church there.

PAUL MAX WEAVER

(6211) Paul Max Weaver, husband of Mary Weaver, is the son of Oliver and Elizabeth M. (Lyke) Weaver. He was born near East Gilead, Branch County, Michigan, on August 1, 1920, is a graduate of the Coldwater, Michigan, High School. He is employed as a moulder in the Coldwater Brass Foundry.

RICHARD CLAUD HUFNAGLE

622. Richard Claud Hufnagle, born January 13, 1894, near Fremont, Indiana, was the first son of Richard and Mary Hufnagle. His years on earth were few, for when only a lad of seven, on May 12, 1901, he was taken by the angel of death.

HAROLD RAY HUFNAGLE

623. Harold Ray Hufnagle, son of Richard and Mary Hufnagle, was born November 24, 1895, in Fremont Township, Steuben County,

Indiana. He attended the country school, but graduated from the Fremont High School. He started attending Purdue University, but stopped before the year was completed. In 1915, March 1, he was united in marriage to Hazel Schaeffer. Fremont has been their home town most of the time, although they spent eight years in Hillsdale, Michigan. Harold has taken great interest in electrical work, and at present has a responsible position as an electrician with the Van Camp's Condensery at Angola, Indiana. Harold likes to travel; consequently, they have had several very nice trips over the country in their house trailer.

HAZEL GRACE (SCHAEFFER) HUFNAGLE

(623) Hazel Grace (Schaeffer) Hufnagle, wife of Harold Hufnagle, was born March 20, 1893, at Reading, Michigan, the daughter of Daniel and Olive (Balch) Schaeffer. Her grandfather was one of the pioneers of Fremont Township. Her education was received in the common schools and high school at Fremont, near which town she was brought up. Five children were born to Harold and Hazel, thus giving her a busy life in the home.

RICHARD DANIEL HUFNAGLE

6231. Richard Daniel Hufnagle was born January 6, 1916, in Fremont, Indiana, the oldest child of Harold and Hazel Hufnagle. He was graduated from the Hillsdale, Michigan, High School. He married Marjorie Norris on October 30, 1937, and they are living in Hillsdale where he operates a city delivery.

MARJORIE EILEEN (NORRIS) HUFNAGLE

(6231) Marjorie Eileen (Norris) Hufnagle, wife of Richard Hufnagle, and daughter of Leon and Sarah Ellen (Russell) Norris, was born April 1, 1919, at Hillsdale, Michigan. She has worked in a telephone office.

ROLLO ROBERT HUFNAGLE

6232. Rollo Robert Hufnagle, son of Harold and Hazel Hufnagle, was born in Fremont, Indiana, October 23, 1917. He is a graduate of the Fremont High School. On February 28, 1941, he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Dospoy. Rollo is a mechanic.

ELIZABETH BARBARA (DOSPOY) HUFNAGLE

(6232) Elizabeth Barbara (Dospoy) Hufnagle, wife of Rollo Hufnagle and daughter of Stephen and Barbara (Kurimy) Dospoy, was born September 13, 1918, at Terre Haute, Indiana. She was married to Rollo in 1941 at Bryan, Ohio.

BLAINE LAVERE HUFNAGLE

6233. Blaine Laverre Hufnagle, third son of Harold and Hazel Hufnagle, was born December 21, 1922, at Fremont, Indiana, and

completed the public school course there. On May 31, 1941, Ethelyn Tooman became his wife. Blaine is employed by the Morris Store Company, working up in merchandising.

ETHELYN JEAN (TOOMAN) HUFNAGLE

(6233) Ethelyn Jean (Tooman) Hufnagle was born July 26, 1923, at Coldwater, Michigan, the daughter of Clayton and Ilarene (Foss) Tooman. Her marriage to Blaine took place at Bryan, Ohio, in May, 1941.

JEAN ELIZABETH HUFNAGLE

6234. Jean Elizabeth Hufnagle, daughter of Harold and Hazel Hufnagle, was born in Fremont, Indiana, September 26, 1924. She is a graduate of the high school there.

OLIVE MARIE HUFNAGLE

6235. Olive Marie Hufnagle, daughter of Harold and Hazel Hufnagle, was born in Hillsdale, Michigan, August 26, 1926. She is a student in the Fremont High School.

VERA BARBARA (HUFNAGLE) BROWN

624. Vera Barbara (Hufnagle) Brown is the youngest child of Richard and Mary Hufnagle. She was born near Fremont, Indiana, at the beginning of the century—Jan. 26, 1900. After completing the local school courses, she entered Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti, from which she received a life certificate to teach music and art. She also took domestic science at Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana. She taught these subjects in the public schools and privately, but continued her studies in piano and voice at the University of Michigan, American Conservatory of Music, Chicago, and Michigan State College at East Lansing, as time and opportunity permitted.

On December 22, 1920, she was married to George Carlton Brown, at Fremont, Indiana. To this union two sons were born. Vera was always a busy and ambitious person, wanting to do things with music, for which she has a marked talent. This has stood her in good stead; for since her husband's death she has been able to keep her home and family together with her teaching of voice and piano. She and her boys attend the Central Methodist Church of Lansing, Michigan.

GEORGE CARLTON BROWN

(624) George Carlton Brown, husband of Vera Brown, was born April 21, 1898, at Hollansburg, Ohio, the son of Celestial H. and Minnie M. (Wolf) Brown. He completed the high school course at Richmond, Indiana, then took one year's work at Wittenburg College, Ohio. After four years at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Engineering.

Carlton followed his chosen profession with the Michigan State Highway Department at Jackson and Lansing for fourteen years, being a consulting engineer at the time of his death on July 15, 1940.

CARLTON ROBERT BROWN

6241. Carlton Robert Brown, first son of George C. and Vera Brown, was born at Jackson, Michigan, on February 11, 1928. After his father's death, Bob helped his mother by doing odd jobs in the neighborhood.

RICHARD HERBERT BROWN

6242. Richard Herbert Brown, son of George C. and Vera Brown, was born at Lansing, Michigan, May 3, 1931. Both boys have studied piano under their mother, and go to school.

CHRISTIAN JONAS EGELKRAUT

63. Christian Jonas Egelkraut came as a Christmas gift to his parents, Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, for he was born in Richland Township, Huron County, Ohio, on December 25, 1864. When he was five months old the family moved to Indiana—so it was near Fremont that he obtained his education and training for life. As soon as he was old enough, he helped work on his father's farm, although he never grew to be very large. Jonas was always interested in farming, living at several places during his lifetime.

On September 19, 1886, wedding bells rang when he and Emma Winters were married at Reading, Michigan, by Rev. I. S. Parmalee. To this union one child, Clela, was born. But the reaper of death entered this home, taking away the wife and mother. Later he took unto himself another helpmate in the person of Martha C. Court, whom he married on July 3, 1897, at Fremont, Rev. A. A. Stockdale performing the ceremony. They lived for a while in town, then moved on their farm across the state line in Ohio. He was considered as one of the successful farmers and upright citizens in the community and was a faithful worker in the church in York, as was also his wife.

One morning while doing his chores, he suffered a stroke. Being unable to reach the house for some time, he became chilled and pneumonia set in. After a few days of illness, he passed away on March 23, 1939, aged 74 years, and was buried in the Teeters Cemetery.

EMMA (WINTERS) EGELKRAUT

(63) Emma (Winters) Egelkraut, wife of Christian Jonas Egelkraut, was born in Williams County, Ohio, February 27, 1868. She moved with her parents to Indiana where they settled in the Fremont neighborhood, not far from the Egelkrauts, one of whose sons she married. She had one daughter, Clela, whom she was called to leave when only a little girl on November 3, 1896. She died in the hospital at Angola, Indiana, when only twenty-eight years of age.

CLELA (EGELKRAUT) THROOP

631. Clela (Egelkraut) Throop was born April 14, 1889, at Silver Lake, Steuben County, Indiana, the daughter of Jonas and Emma Egelkraut. When but seven years of age she lost her mother; but her stepmother gave her the same loving care her own mother had given her. Clela had the advantage of the common school and some high school work.

She became the bride of Ray Allen Throop on February 6, 1908, at Clear Lake, Indiana. After their marriage they farmed for a while, then went into the insurance business, having an office in Lansing, Michigan, for a number of years. Both are deeply interested in religious work, being members of the Methodist church in Lansing. Neither one has very good health, yet with perfect teamwork they manage to carry on a successful business.

RAY ALLEN THROOP

(631) Ray Allen Throop, husband of Clela Throop, is a native of Scott Township, Steuben County, Indiana, having been born there March 31, 1887. He attended Tri-State College at Angola, first taking work in the teachers' course, then in the business course which prepared him for his present occupation of insurance. Ray enjoys singing, and has been a member of the Orpheus Club in Lansing for a number of years, this being a musical organization of about eighty male voices.

MARTHA CATHERINE (COURT) EGELKRAUT

(63) Martha Catherine (Court) Egelkraut was born near Angola, Indiana, on November 29, 1867. She is the second wife of Jonas C. Egelkraut.

Besides a common school education, Martha went to Tri-State College at Angola, Indiana, where she took some teacher training work. Teaching not being to her liking, she took commercial work, graduating in that course. After her marriage to Jonas Egelkraut, she took up the work of a farmer's wife and became a real mother to his daughter, Clela. Since her husband's death, she has remodeled the farm house, making a modern apartment for herself on the second floor while a tenant lives on the ground floor.

FREDERICK WILLIAM EGELKRAUT

64. Frederick William Egelkraut, fourth child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born February 17, 1867, in Clear Lake Township, Steuben County, Indiana, and died June 13, 1871, being only four years of age. He was laid to rest in the Teeters Cemetery, the first of a long line of graves on the Egelkraut lots.

ENOS JOSEPH EGELKRAUT

65. Enos Joseph Egelkraut, fifth child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born in Clear Lake Township, Steuben County, Indiana, on January 1, 1869, and passed away on January 11, 1873—another lad just past his fourth year, taken from the bereaved parents.

CHRISTIAN FRANK EGELKRAUT

66. Christian Frank Egelkraut, sixth child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born on January 10, 1872, in Clear Lake Township. The angel of death visited this home on January 24, 1873, the second time in two weeks, this time taking little Christian Frank, the babe of one year and fourteen days, to the heavenly home.

LYDIA ANN (EGELKRAUT) HUDSON

67. Lydia Ann (Egelkraut) Hudson, seventh child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born in Clear Lake Township, Steuben County, Indiana, on January 4, 1874. She attended the country school, and helped her mother with the housework, being quite an energetic and capable assistant. While at the home of her brother, Martin, in Battle Creek, Michigan, she met a young man, Aaron Hudson, whom she afterward married. The wedding took place in March, 1895, in Battle Creek. Two sons were born into this home. They lived for a time in Battle Creek, then moved on a farm near Fremont, Indiana. Here Lydia passed away on October 6, 1915, before her boys were grown. She was buried in the Teeters Cemetery.

AARON GILBERT HUDSON

(67) Aaron Gilbert Hudson, husband of Lydia Ann Hudson, was born in 1862 at Battle Creek, Michigan. Some time after their marriage, they moved on a farm near Fremont, remaining there until after Lydia's death. He and the boys then moved back to Battle Creek where he passed away April 16, 1920.

HAROLD EGELKRAUT HUDSON

671. Harold Egelkraut Hudson is the first child of Aaron and Lydia Hudson. He was born in Battle Creek, Michigan, attended school there and in Fremont, Indiana, from which high school he graduated. He became a registered pharmacist, working at this during his time of service in the World War. On November 11, 1917, he was married to Anable Garn, who lived in Fremont.

After the war, they settled in Tekonsha, Michigan, where Harold started business as a druggist. His brother, Ray, joined him in purchasing a store, and in 1926 they bought another in partnership in Three Rivers, Michigan. Harold moved to Three Rivers as manager there, while Ray took charge in Tekonsha. Harold is a Past Commander in the Knight Templar Lodge, and the family belongs to the Presbyterian church. See Chapter VI for World War record.

ANABLE (GARN) HUDSON

(671) Anable (Garn) Hudson, wife of Harold Hudson, was born March 1, 1899, at Fremont, Indiana, where she lived until after her marriage. Her parents were Frank and Minnie Garn.

CURTIS GILBERT HUDSON

6711. Curtis Gilbert Hudson, son of Harold and Anable Hudson, was born December 9, 1918, at Fremont, Indiana, while his father was with the army in France. He attended school in Tekonsha and Three Rivers, Michigan, graduating from the latter high school. He also graduated from the Dallas, Texas, Aviation College, receiving his license as a Commercial Aviation Pilot in 1940. On June 22, 1942,

Curtis and Miss Mary Beckhan were united in marriage. He is now employed by the U. S. Army Ferrying Command, stationed at Hensley Field, Dallas, Texas.

MARY (BECKHAN) HUDSON

(6711) Mary (Beckhan) Hudson is the wife of Curtis Hudson. She is a Dallas girl, and they were married in that city.

HORACE E. HUDSON

6712. Horace E. Hudson, second son of Harold and Anable Hudson, was born in Tekonsha, Michigan, on June 21, 1922. The family moved to Three Rivers when he was a child and he attended school there, graduating from high school in 1940. Horace expects to follow in his father's footsteps so far as his profession is concerned, for he is now a Junior in the Indianapolis College of Pharmacy, at Indianapolis, Indiana.

RAY CHARLES HUDSON

672. Ray Charles Hudson, second child of Aaron and Lydia Hudson, was born at Battle Creek, Michigan, on April 19, 1901. His education was received in the public schools of Fremont and Battle Creek, with a course in pharmacy at Warner's Institute of Pharmacy, Sandusky, Ohio. He was married to Doris Cogswell, March 20, 1928, and they established their home in Tekonsha, Michigan, where he was in partnership in a drug store with his brother, Harold. Ray remained as manager of this store while Harold went to Three Rivers and established and conducted their drug company in that city. He recently underwent a serious operation.

DORIS (COGSWELL) HUDSON

(672) Doris (Cogswell) Hudson, wife of Ray Hudson, was born in Chicago, Illinois, December 24, 1905. Her parents were Thurlow W. and Rose (Dansfield) Cogswell, her mother being a native of Denmark, born near Copenhagen. Doris received her public school education in Benton Harbor, Michigan, and her A.B. degree at Western College of Education, Kalamazoo, Michigan. She taught school several years before her marriage and plans to re-enter the profession this fall.

MARY ROSE HUDSON

6721. Mary Rose Hudson, daughter of Ray and Doris Hudson, was born April 20, 1932, at Tekonsha, Michigan. She is a grade-school pupil in that place.

SAMUEL JACOB EGELKRAUT

68. Samuel Jacob Egelkraut, eighth child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born June 22, 1876, in Steuben County, Indiana. He grew almost to maturity but at the age of sixteen was smitten by pneumonia, from which he never recovered. Jacob was a likable boy, rather slow and deliberate by nature, and was greatly missed by his family and friends when he passed away February 2, 1893.

CHARLEY ELMER EGELKRAUT

69. Charley Elmer Egelkraut, son of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born in Steuben County, near Fremont, Indiana, on December 19, 1878. He attended the country school and learned farming from his father. He has always followed this occupation and says that he uses practically the same methods his father used and has as good success as his neighbors. As a boy and young man, he joined in the social activities of the community. On November 23, 1897, he was united in marriage to Frances Hathaway, at Clear Lake, Indiana, with Rev. G. A. Smith officiating. Three sons and one daughter were born to them and at present, the son Orville and his family make their home on Charley's farm with him. This is in Michigan, near Montgomery.

Charley is proud of an old sword he has in his possession which was brought by his father from the old country. It belonged to his great-great-grandfather, and has been handed down to the youngest son in the family. The sword was made in Berlin, and tradition says that this ancestor had used it in a war between England and Germany.

FRANCES EMELINE (HATHAWAY) EGELKRAUT

(69) Frances Emeline (Hathaway) Egelkraut, wife of Charley Egelkraut, and daughter of Joseph and Melissa Hathaway, was born November 17, 1880, in York Township, Steuben County, Indiana. She was married to Charley Egelkraut in 1897 and their children are Raymond, Orville, Geraldine and Elmer.

RAYMOND JOSEPH EGELKRAUT

691. Raymond Joseph Egelkraut, first child of Charley and Frances Egelkraut, was born March 31, 1899, at Clear Lake, Indiana. He received his education in the public school. In 1926, March 31, he took unto himself a wife, in the person of Perla Hollingshead. Raymond was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for some time and while thus employed, they made their home in Fort Wayne. At present, he is a truck driver for the county roads, and they live near Reading, Michigan, on a small farm and raise berries. Two children have come to bless this home. They belong to the Baptist church at Reading.

PERLA MAE (HOLLINGSHEAD) EGELKRAUT

(691) Perla Mae (Hollingshead) Egelkraut, wife of Raymond Egelkraut, and daughter of George and Affie Hollingshead, was born January 12, 1901, at Reading, Michigan. She attended the public schools and busied herself in her parents' home until her marriage to Raymond. Since then she has made a happy home for her own family.

ROBERT C. EGELKRAUT

6911. Robert C. Egelkraut, oldest child of Raymond and Perla Egelkraut, was born at Hillsdale, Michigan, on September 1, 1930. He attends the country school two miles from his home.

GERALDINE MARIE EGELKRAUT

6912. Geraldine Marie Egelkraut, daughter of Raymond and Perla Egelkraut, was born July 17, 1935, at Reading, Michigan. She is happy in her first year at school.

ORVILLE CHRISTIAN EGELKRAUT

692. Orville Christian Egelkraut, second son of Charley and Frances Egelkraut, was born August 27, 1903, at Clear Lake, Indiana. His education was gained in the school in his community. His marriage to Lucille Ruth Wilkinson took place on October 2, 1929, at Montgomery, Michigan. For a while, Orville was employed at shop work, but now is working for the creamery at Camden, Michigan, not far from their home. The family attends the Baptist church and they have one child, Frances Ruth.

LUCILLE RUTH (WILKINSON) EGELKRAUT

(692) Lucille Ruth (Wilkinson) Egelkraut, wife of Orville Egelkraut, and daughter of Arthur and Clara (Carrithers) Wilkinson, was born in southern Michigan July 6, 1909. She went to the township school. Since her marriage to Orville, she has proven to be an excellent housewife and homemaker.

FRANCES RUTH EGELKRAUT

6921. Frances Ruth Egelkraut, daughter of Orville and Lucille Egelkraut, was born December 10, 1930, at Montgomery, Michigan. She is attending the public school at Camden, having the advantage of riding in a school bus.

GERALDINE MELISSA (EGELKRAUT) MATER

693. Geraldine Melissa (Egelkraut) Mater, only daughter of Charley and Frances Egelkraut, was born at Clear Lake, Indiana, May 16, 1907. "Jerry," as she was called, graduated from the Camden, Michigan, High School, then took a commercial course in Toledo, Ohio. She found employment in the city, having a good position with the Toledo Board of Education. Her marriage to Russell W. Mater took place at Montgomery, Michigan, December 31, 1927. To this union one child has been born. Their home is in Toledo where they are members of the Monroe Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

RUSSELL WIEAS MATER

(693) Russell Wieas Mater, husband of Geraldine Mater and son of Charles and Elizabeth Mater, was born in Traverse City, Michi-

gan, February 28, 1899. After completing his public school course, he attended the University of Toledo, and received his B.S. degree at Western State Teachers College. He is a junior high school teacher in the Toledo Public Schools. See his World War record in Chapter VI.

CHARLES EDWIN MATER

6931. Charles Edwin Mater, son of Russell and Geraldine Mater, was born in Toledo, Ohio, November 30, 1932. He lives with his parents in Toledo and attends the public school.

ELMER HATHAWAY EGELKRAUT

694. Elmer Hathaway Egelkraut, fourth child of Charley and Frances Egelkraut, was born April 24, 1910, at Clear Lake, Indiana. He had the advantages only of a common school education. On February 2, 1929, he was joined in wedlock with Myretta M. Boyles, the wedding taking place at Angola, Indiana. There are two children in this home, which is in Battle Creek, Michigan, where Elmer is employed as a machinist in a factory.

MYRETTA M. (BOYLES) EGELKRAUT

(694) Myretta M. (Boyles) Egelkraut, wife of Elmer Egelkraut and daughter of Richard and Cora (Case) Boyles, was born in Bronson, Michigan, September 3, 1906. She was educated in the public school and became the wife of Elmer in 1929.

ELMER EGELKRAUT, JR.

6941. Elmer Egelkraut, Jr., son of Elmer and Myretta Egelkraut, was born December 22, 1933, at Bronson, Michigan and now lives with his parents in Battle Creek.

RICHARD LEE EGELKRAUT

6942. Richard Lee Egelkraut, second son of Elmer and Myretta Egelkraut, was born August 7, 1935, at Battle Creek, Michigan, where he lives with his parents.

JASPER WALLACE EGELKRAUT

6-10. Jasper Wallace Egelkraut, youngest child of Christian and Barbara Egelkraut, was born September 4, 1880; and passed away November 18, 1884, near Fremont, having run his span of life in four years, two months and fourteen days. He was the third boy in the family to be taken in death at the age of four years.



An Early Reunion Picture, Taken About 1918

CHAPTER VI

MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS

CIVIL WAR

JOHN M. WOLFRAM

31. John M. Wolfram enlisted in 1865 in Co. H, 53rd Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry, with which he served about six months. He was constantly on the move and had reached Beaufort, North Carolina, when the war closed and he was sent home with his honorable discharge.

JOHN UHL

42. John Uhl entered the Civil War but died in a camp, never having seen active service. No definite records are known.

GEORGE UHL

43. First Sergeant Co. K, 20th Indiana Infantry Volunteers; enlisted July, 1861, and served near Baltimore, Maryland, Cape Hatteras and Old Point Comfort, and Newport News, where his company was engaged in the battle between the Merrimack, Cumberland and Congress, also in the capture of Norfolk and Portsmouth, Virginia. His regiment then joined the Army of the Potomac, before the "Seven Days' Fight" on the peninsula; he was captured at Glendale, June 30, 1862, and confined in Libby and Belle Isle prisons; paroled in the following September and sent to hospital, Annapolis, Maryland; was exchanged, joined his regiment, and was engaged in the battle of Chancellorsville; was on guard duty with the Q. M. Dept., during Gettysburg campaign; served in New York City to suppress the draft riots in summer of 1863; participated in the battles of Wilderness, Spottsylvania, North Anna, Cold Harbor, Deep Bottom, Weldon Railroad, Hatcher's Run, and the engagements of the siege of Petersburg, during which a portion of his left ear was shot away and on March 25, 1865, his left leg was shot off by a cannon ball; discharged July, 1865.

ERNEST ADLER

51. Ernest Adler entered the Civil War in his father's place. While in his first camp at Indianapolis, Indiana, he contracted the mumps and died April 9, 1865.

SPANISH AMERICAN WAR

HENRY S. STAHL

354. Henry S. Stahl enlisted from Culver, Indiana, in the 157th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, Company M, on June 27, 1898, and was sent to Indianapolis to camp. His company was then sent to Port Tampa and Fernandina, Florida. He received his honorable discharge at Indianapolis on November 1, 1898.

FIRST WORLD WAR

GUY KENLINE

1412. Guy Kenline was a member of the 31st Infantry and spent one year near Vladivostok, Siberia.

CHARLES KENLINE

1414. Charles Kenline was in the 15th Balloon Corps. Did duty as a machine gunner on the front in France, being with the 91st Division of Infantry.

FLOYD GINDELBERGER

(3121) Enlisted May 25, 1918. Was Mess Sergeant at Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky, in Quartermaster Corps. Received his honorable discharge March, 1919.

RALPH McCORMICK

3141. Aviator, trained at Ohio State University Wright Gunnery School. Was commissioned at Call Field, Texas, and Ellington Bombing School.

HOMER GRANADE

(3151) Homer Granade was with the Royal Canadian Air Force.

RICHARD BOWIE

(3412) Enlisted May 11, 1917, at South Bend, Indiana, in Company D, 5th Engineers. Was in Brownsville and Corpus Christi, Texas camps. Received intensive training there until sent overseas July 30, 1918, on U. S. Troop Transport H. R. Mallory. Arrived in Brest, August 12, hiked to Camp Pontanezan. Stationed in Metz vicinity and saw active service in Puvenelle Sector Nov. 4-11. Started for home on U. S. S. George Washington, February 11, 1919. (President Wilson also returned on this boat.) Discharged with rank of Corporal from Camp Sherman, Ohio, March 29, 1919.

RUSSELL MAUCK

(3432) In the Air Force Pursuit Squadron for twenty-two months. Fourteen of these were overseas, part of the time on active duty in the front lines.

REA W. WOLFRAM

362. Sergeant Unit C, Graves Registration Service. Inducted September 19, 1917, at Winamac, Indiana, noncommissioned officer. Corporal January 1, 1918, Sergeant February 8, 1918. With the 309th Engineers September 19 to December 31, 1917; 515th Engineers January 1 to July 15, 1918; Unit C, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C., July 15, 1918, to July 10, 1919, with Filler Company 22, July 19, 1919, to date of discharge. Served in France. Left U. S. May 8, 1918, arrived U. S. July 22, 1919. Discharged at Camp Mills, L. I., N. Y., July 26, 1919.

CLAUDE M. WOLFRAM

363. Inducted August 15, 1918, and sent to training detachment in Indianapolis, Indiana, to Camp Jessup, Atlanta, Georgia, and Camp Holabird, Baltimore, Maryland. Was with Motor Transport Corps and discharged at Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Michigan, April 14, 1919.

FRED ROBERTSON

(366) In the service from December 15, 1917, to July 19, 1919. Was in the following camps in the United States: Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio; Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas; Fort Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska; and Newport News, Virginia. Served overseas one year in France and Luxemburg, Germany. Six weeks in Defense Sector, Balloon Division; first, second and third armies—15th Balloon Company. Was gassed in France, which affected his health for several years after the close of the war.

ORVEN JOHNSON

(372) Orven Johnson was inducted on May 25, 1918, at Winamac, Indiana, and sent to Camp Taylor, Kentucky. Later to Camp Upton, New York, from which he was discharged in July, 1919, with rank of Sergeant First Class.

A. NORRIS ZECHIEL

5311. Enlisted in May, 1917. Served over two years as a musician in the noted Rainbow Division, the first to go overseas. Was at the fighting front, then in the Army of Occupation in Germany.

PARKE M. JESSUP

(5321) Parke M. Jessup volunteered in June, 1917, at Fort Thomas, Kentucky. He was in the Signal Corps, stationed at Kelly Field and Brooks Field, Texas, and at Camp Knox, Kentucky, being a Sergeant when discharged at the close of the war in 1919.

EARL ADLER

543. Entered service on July 22, 1918, in the Medical Corps at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, spending eight months in the Army.

BERT ADLER

545. Served in Headquarters Troop, 90th Division from February, 1918, to July, 1919. Was in the battles of St. Mihiel and Meuse Argonne and part of the Army of Occupation in Germany after the Armistice was signed.

FRANK ADLER

546. Entered camp in Guthrie, Oklahoma, in 1918; but war soon closed and he was discharged.

PAUL EGELKROUD

611. Spent sixteen months in the U. S. Army; eleven months of this in France. Was in the battles at the front at Meuse Argonne.

HAROLD HUDSON

671. Received his basic training in Georgia. Was a Registered Pharmacist, Sergeant First Class with the No. 56 General Hospital. Served for fourteen months, ten of which were at Toule, France. He has a further record in World War II.

RUSSELL MATER

(693) Enlisted in October, 1918. Sent to Student Army Training Corps, Michigan State College. Discharged from there December, 1918.

SECOND WORLD WAR

JAMES RUSSELL HARDESTY

31111. James Russell Hardesty enlisted in the Student Reserves, United States Army, while attending Purdue University. Reported at Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, January 22, 1943. Received his basic training at Camp Robinson, Arkansas; maneuvers in Louisiana; other training at Camp Shelby and at present at Los Angeles, California.

FLOYD BARNETT

(31128) Floyd Barnett served overseas for ten months and returned from North Africa in the fall of 1943. He had completed fifty-four missions over southern Italy and is now an instructor in flying in a camp at Dyersburg, Tennessee. He is rated as Technical Sergeant.

MAX CLYDE SHANKLAND

31129. Max Clyde Shankland enlisted in the Navy, completing his boot training on November 24, 1943. He is now a Seaman Second Class in the Administrative Command, and has been sent overseas from San Francisco.

DONALD JOHN WOLFRAM

3171. Donald John Wolfram entered the U. S. Army in December of 1940 in the Medical Corps as First Lieutenant and was stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia. With successive promotions he has reached the high rank of Lieutenant Colonel and is assistant to the officer in charge of all hospitals in the New Orleans, Louisiana, area. Of the nearly twelve hundred doctors from Indiana in the service, "Dr. Don" is the youngest one to become a Lieutenant Colonel.

RICHARD D. BOWIE, JR.

34121. Richard D. Bowie, Jr., began military service on January 3, 1943, being sent to Fort Bliss, Texas. In May he was placed in the Army Specialized Training Program at Carnegie Tech Engineering School, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he is receiving college work.

MICHAEL ALVIN ROSENBAUM

34131. Michael Alvin Rosembaum was inducted into the U. S. Navy on February 11, 1943. He attended the Naval Electrical School in Ames, Iowa, for special training. Having completed this course, "Micky" was sent to the Gyro Compass School in San Diego, then to San Pedro, California, to a receiving station.

DONALD HOBKIRK

34231. Donald Hobkirk was inducted into the Army on November 8, 1943, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana. Since then he has been transferred to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he is a Private in the Field Artillery.

LOUIS HENRY STAHL

3541. Louis Henry Stahl was inducted into the U. S. Army Air Corps in October, 1942, receiving special training in airplane engine repairing. He has been in camps at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, National School of Aeronautics in Kansas City, Missouri, Kelly Field, and Stinson Field in San Antonio, Texas. He has recently been given the rank of Sergeant, and sent overseas to India.

CAROL CLARENCE KIRBY

(3543) Carol Clarence Kirby was inducted into the Army on March 4, 1943, at Butte, Montana. He was placed in the Medical Corps and sent to Camp Barkely, Texas, where he received his basic training. In June he was transferred to the engineers and sent to Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, as he had been classified for the Army Specialized Training Program.

DONALD ARTHUR BOHL

3612. Donald Arthur Bohl was inducted into the U. S. Army on September 21, 1943. He is at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he is assigned to Army Specialized Training Program.

THELMA JEAN WOLFRAM

3632. Thelma Jean Wolfram, upon graduating from nurses training, volunteered for the Nurses Army Air Corps. Recently she has been commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Nurses Corps and called to report for her basic military training on January 15, 1944, at Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

DEANE ALBERT ROBERTSON

3661. Passed the V-12 examination and volunteered in August, 1943, for the New Army Specialized Training Reserve Program for boys under eighteen. Was sent to the University of Kansas, at Lawrence, where he became a Cadet Sergeant. Receiving a knee injury, he was placed on inactive duty until his eighteenth birthday.

LEON NORRIS ZECHIEL

(53111) Leon Zechiel began his army training on November 11, 1943, at Camp Sheridan, Illinois. He has since been sent to Camp Knox, Kentucky, where he is receiving his basic training.

ERNEST BERNARD NORRIS

5322. Ernest Bernard Norris was inducted into the Army with rank of Lieutenant in July, 1942, and placed in the Medical Corps of the Coast Artillery at Camp Hahn, California. In January, 1943, he was made a Captain; and in April was transferred to Ft. Frances E. Warren, near Cheyenne, Wyoming, where he is a surgeon in charge of all eye, ear, nose and throat work in the Station Hospital.

DAVID NELSON LILLY

(5332) David Lilly entered military service in June, 1941. He was placed in the Medical Detachment at Fort Brady, Michigan, and later sent to camps in Mississippi and Tennessee. He has been promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant.

BERNARD F. ADLER

5431. Bernard F. Adler was inducted into the Army Air Corps on February 23, 1942, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He received training at San Antonio, Texas, Wendover Field, Utah, Fairmont and Lincoln, Nebraska. He has been commissioned a Lieutenant and is a navigator with a bomber crew on a B-24 heavy bomber, on combat duty overseas.

MELVIN H. ADLER

5461. Melvin H. Adler was inducted into the U. S. Army in February, 1943, and sent to Camp Robinson, Arkansas. He then transferred into the Air Corps and was sent to San Francisco, California, where he is in the Recording Department.

PAUL EDGAR EGELKROUD

6111. Paul Edgar Egelkroud entered the Army October 15, 1943, at Camp Custer, Michigan. He was sent to Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, where he was placed in the 83rd Army Air Force Band as a trumpeter.

PAUL M. WEAVER

(6211) Paul M. Weaver was inducted into the Army on November 20, 1942; he has been in camps at Fort Custer, Michigan; Camp Phillips, Kansas; Camp McCain, Mississippi, and maneuvers near Nashville, Tennessee. At Camp Phillips he attended the Cooks' and Bakers' School from which he graduated. Paul has the rank of Sergeant.

BLAINE L. HUFNAGLE

6233. Blaine L. Hufnagle received silver wings and medal in flexible gunnery. Received training at St. Petersburg, Florida, Amarillo, Texas, and Salt Lake City, Utah. He is a Sergeant.

HAROLD E. HUDSON

671. Harold E. Hudson has the distinction of serving his country in two wars. In February, 1941, he was sent to the William Beaumont General Hospital, El Paso, Texas, as head of the Pharmacy Technician School with the rank of Captain, later being promoted to that of Major.



Reunion Picture of 1930

CHAPTER VII

Addenda

(In order to bring the book up-to-date and avoid re-writing it, the information which we have received from August, 1942, to December, 1943, will be found on the following pages. The same order by families has been followed, as in the original set-up.)

WILLIAM LEONARD KENLINE

1416. A tragedy occurred on November 24, 1942, when Leonard Kenline lost his life in an accident. He was at his work, unloading heavy tallow cans, when he was thrown from the truck on which he was working. Leonard died eight hours later in the Salem General Hospital, Salem, Oregon, his wife by his side, never having regained consciousness. His sad and sudden death broke the home ties which he and his family held so dear.

RUBY MIRIAM KENLINE

14161. In September of 1943, Ruby entered Walla Walla College in Washington as a Freshman.

LESTER IRVIN KENLINE

14162. Although Lester is of draft age, he has been deferred thus far from entering the Army as he has a dairy, which is essential to the war effort.

JAMES RUSSELL HARDESTY

31111. James or "Jim," graduated in December, 1942, from Purdue University with a B.S. degree in agriculture. He was at home only a short time until he was called into army service, which record will be found in Chapter VI.

BARBARA JOYCE OSSLER

311213. Barbara Joyce Ossler, daughter of Margaret and Wilferd Ossler, was born in Hamlet, Indiana, October 17, 1942.

TERRY LYNN PAXTON

311271. Terry Lynn Paxton, son of Harold and Edwinna Paxton, was born on September 1, 1943, at Plymouth, Indiana.

MARY JEAN (SHANKLAND) BARNETT

31128 Mary Jean Shankland was united in marriage to Technical Sergeant Floyd Barnett on October 11, 1943. She is living at Gates, Tennessee, which is near his army camp.

FLOYD BARNETT

(31128) Floyd Barnett is the husband of Mary Jean (Shankland) Barnett, their marriage having taken place on October 11, 1943. He has been in the army for some time and at present is a flying instructor at Dyersburg, Tennessee. His record of service is found in Chapter VI.

MILDRED LUCILE WOLFRAM

3122. Mildred is now principal and also teacher of the fourth grade at the Ardmore School on the outskirts of South Bend, Indiana, near the Bendix Corporation.

MICHAEL ALVIN ROSENBAUM

34131. Michael Alvin Rosenbaum and Dorothy B. Zabel were united in marriage on October 16, 1943, by the Rev. J. C. Wiley, pastor of the Congregational Church at San Diego, California, where "Micky" was stationed in military camp.

DOROTHY B. (ZABEL) ROSENBAUM

(34131) Dorothy B. (Zabel) Rosenbaum, wife of Michael Rosenbaum, is the daughter of George H. and Bernice (Condon) Zabel. She was born June 5, 1923, at Wanatah, Indiana; attended high school at Stillwell, graduating there in 1941.

MARIAN LORRAINE ROSENBAUM

34132. Marian Rosenbaum graduated from the South Bend Business College and is now employed by Allis Chalmers Company in La Porte, Indiana.

NANCY LEE GOOD

34161. Nancy Lee Good, daughter of Robert and Marjorie Good, was born September 12, 1943, at Knox, Indiana.

DONALD WAYNE HOBKIRK

342311. Donald Wayne Hobkirk, son of Virginia and Donald Hobkirk, was born in South Bend, Indiana, on August 9, 1943.

KAREN FRANCES KALEY

34332. Karen Frances Kaley, second daughter of Elvin and Maxine Kaley, was born January 6, 1943, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

FRANCES MAE PIPER

34341. Frances Mae Piper, daughter of Lucile and Clem Piper, was born in their home at Bass Lake, Knox, Indiana, on July 31, 1943.

OTTO ENGLE

3443. Otto Engle ran into so much difficulty with the heavy rains the past season, that he gave up farming and moved to La Porte,

Indiana, where he purchased a home. He is employed in a garage in that city as a mechanic.

MARY M. (ENGLE) COX

3444. The Cox family has abandoned the farm and bought a home in Plymouth, Indiana, where Frank works with a roofing company.

CLARA R. STAHL

357. Clara Stahl has moved temporarily from Chicago to Ann Arbor, Michigan, to be with her brother, Otto. She is employed by a firm of accountants there.

DONALD BOHL

3612. Donald Bohl graduated with an A.B. degree from Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana, in August, 1943. He majored in geography and German and also took one year of law. He was a member of Kappa Iota Pi Fraternity. He was fortunate to have been able to finish his college work before being called into the army, which record is found in Chapter VI.

ETHEL E. WOLFRAM

(363) Ethel Ellen Wolfram passed to the great beyond on April 16, 1943, after a prolonged illness of several years. In spite of her devotion to her family and determination to remain with them, she lost in the battle for life. Funeral services were held in the Leiters Ford Methodist Church, with her pastor, Rev. Harvey Kieser, in charge and interment in the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

MARY ELIZABETH (WOLFRAM) CLEMENS

3631. Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Wolfram became the wife of Cadet Charles William Clemens, Jr., on December 21, 1943. The ceremony was performed in the home of Lieut. and Mrs. A. Lewis Remley in San Antonio, Texas, by the Rev. John Hill. She is residing in San Antonio while her husband is in camp there.

CHARLES WILLIAM CLEMENS, JR.

(3631) Charles William Clemens, Jr., husband of Betty Clemens, and son of Charles William and Lola (Millbern) Clemens, was born November 11, 1921, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his high school work in Riley School, South Bend, Indiana, attended the University of Illinois for three years, majoring in art. He is now a cadet in the Army Air Corps which record will be found in Chapter VI.

DEANE ALBERT ROBERTSON

3661. Deane Robertson graduated from Ames, Iowa, High School, May 28, 1943. Volunteering for the Army Specialized Training, he

spent some time at the University of Kansas until, because of an injured knee, he was placed on inactive duty until he becomes eighteen years of age. He is now employed by the Collegiate Press in Ames. See Chapter VI for his service record.

BERNICE MARIE SNYDER

3711. The Snyders are now living at Hanna, Indiana, and are both working at the Kingsbury Ordnance Plant, La Porte, Indiana, helping to load shells for the army.

STEWART COURTLAND UHL

433. Stewart Uhl was successful in his initial political ambitions, having been elected as township trustee of Princeton Township, White County, Indiana, in November of 1942.

STEWART HAL PHILLIPS

43311. Stewart Hal Phillips, son of Myron and Marguerite Phillips, was born July 10, 1943, at Crawfordsville, Indiana.

A. NORRIS ZECHIEL

5311. A. Norris Zechiel recently resigned his position with the Kellogg Foundation and is now educational co-ordinator of the Traffic Safety Association of the city of Detroit, Michigan. He has purchased a home in Grosse Pointe, Michigan, where he now resides with his family.

FRANK ADLER

546. The Frank Adler family moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, in December, 1942, where Frank is employed by the Douglas Aircraft Company.

IRENE ADLER

5462. Irene Adler is in her senior year in the Will Rogers High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

MARY JEANNETTE WEAVER

6211. Mary Jeannette Weaver is engaged in war work at Horton's factory in Fort Wayne, Indiana, while her husband is in the army.

RAY CHARLES HUDSON

672. Ray Charles Hudson, while in the prime of life, passed away on September 27, 1942, at his home in Tekonsha, Michigan, following a long illness. He was interred in the Teeters Cemetery, at Fremont, Indiana, beside his father and mother.

DORIS HUDSON

(672) Doris Hudson has resumed her former profession, that of teaching, being employed this year at Coldwater, Michigan.

CONCLUSION

We have come to the end of the task assigned us. You have probably been conscious of the lapse of time between the writing and distribution of the book; especially that the records of those now in the armed services are incomplete and already out of date. We regret this, and ask you to again read the Preface that you may understand the reasons.

Our earnest hope is that some one in the future will continue the work that has been begun, preserving the records and ideals of this and later generations of this growing family.

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